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The annotated list in this issue is limited to titles recently added to the national collection, which contains thousands of fiction and nonfiction titles, including classics, biographies, gothics, mysteries, and how-to and self-help guides.

To learn more about the wide range of books in the national collection, readers may order catalogs and subject bibliographies from cooperating libraries. Librarians can check other resources for titles and answer requests for special materials.

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In Brief

National Advisory Group seeks your advice

The members of the National Advisory Group on Collection Building Activities wish to thank their fellow patrons and librarians for their input concerning the NLS program. Please be assured that your ideas and suggestions were important and were thoroughly discussed in the committee's deliberations.

The group will meet again at NLS on May 24–26, 2000. Please continue to assist us by contacting committee members or your cooperating library with your suggestions. Input from readers is the key ingredient in the success of our program. The NLS National Advisory Group represents you!

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For Younger Readers

For Younger Readers 1996–1997, cassette edition, has been sent to patrons who ordered it on the most recent patron survey and is available through your local library. The three-cassette catalog contains books that have been recorded on audiocassette. It includes nonfiction and fiction titles written for children and young adults—from preschool through junior high readers.

Medicare publications in special formats

The Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), the federal agency that administers the Medicare program, has produced two Medicare-related publications in special formats. The *1999 Guide to Health Insurance for People with Medicare* has been recorded on cassette in English and Spanish. The booklet describes ten types of privately sold health insurance, often referred to as Medigap policies, which supplement Medicare.

Both versions refer listeners to an (800) toll-free number for additional health insurance information. NLS patrons may order the audiocassette version of the *Guide* from their network libraries. The free booklet is also available directly from HCFA at 1-800-633-4227.

Another HCFA publication, *The Medicare and You 2000* Handbook is now available in braille, large-print, and cassette formats. This edition may be ordered through your network library.

Both of these publications are also available online in large print at the web site: www.medicare.gov

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

The Island of the Colorblind* and *Cycad Island **RC 44628**
by Oliver Sacks
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
A neurologist investigates the high prevalence of colorblindness and other genetic conditions among inbred South Sea island populations. Describes the history, geography, and botany of the remote islands, as well as the contemporary threats posed by development and tourism. 1996.

Paul: The Mind of the Apostle
RC 44964
by A.N. Wilson
read by Don Feldheim
3 cassettes
A portrait of Paul, the early Jewish convert to Christianity, whose written and spoken words served to advance and popularize the new faith. Traces his travels around the Roman Empire spreading Christ's word and proselytizing. Discusses the teachings set forth in Paul's epistles. 1997.

Planting Noah's Garden: Further Adventures in Backyard Ecology
RC 45208
by Sara Stein
read by Margaret Strom
4 cassettes
In this sequel to *Noah's Garden (RC 37289)*, Stein writes of the many people she has met who, like herself, are attempting to restore nature to their own backyards. She also tells more about her own ongoing learning experience and gives instructions on gardening. 1997.

Collected Poems: 1937–1971 RC 45491
by John Berryman
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
All of the short poems that Berryman wrote, arranged, and published, plus "Homage to Mistress Bradstreet," one of his two long poems. The collection opens with a cold and silent scene from an early poem, "Winter Landscape," which is followed by the sonnets and the epic "Homage." The final group contains confessional poems, such as "Freshman Blues," and poems on thoughts and feelings as fanciful as what Beethoven heard in his sleep. 1989.

Empires Lost and Won: The Spanish Heritage in the Southwest RC 45995
by Albert Marrin
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Beginning with Spain during the late Middle Ages, the author provides a vivid description of the Spanish culture, including the lives of conquistadors and soldiers. Using primary sources, he describes the perils of crossing the Atlantic, encounters with Native Americans, and conquest of the new land by Europeans. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1997.

Imagine the Angels of Bread RC 46133
by Martin Espada
read by Lewis Grenville
1 cassette
Autobiographical poems that starkly depict the harsh plight of Hispanics as victims of political oppression and as impoverished immigrants. One of the works relates a Chilean man's harrowing experience of lying his way out of being shot by a firing squad. Violence. 1996.

Initiation: A Woman's Spiritual Adventure in the Heart of the Andes RC 46200
by Elizabeth B. Jenkins
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Memoir of an American woman's mystical odyssey in the Peruvian Andes. Describes her encounters with mountain spirits, her spiritual awakening under the guidance of Q'eros priests, and her initiation into the religious tradition of the Incas. 1997.

Easy Riders, Raging Bulls: How the Sex-Drugs-and-Rock-'n'-Roll Generation Saved Hollywood RC 46342
by Peter Biskind
read by Gary Telles
5 cassettes
From interviews with directors, producers, stars, spurned spouses, and burned partners, Biskind looks at the landmark movies of the 1970s and the people who made them while frequently destroying themselves in the process. He describes an era of gritty new realism and ethnicity starring the likes of Al Pacino, Jack Nicholson, Dustin Hoffman, and Jane Fonda. Bestseller 1998.

Titan: The Life of John D. Rockefeller Sr. RC 46355
by Ron Chernow
read by Bob Moore
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Chernow reveals the person and family secrets behind the public demonization of the ruthless businessman who founded Standard Oil. While revolutionizing the way the world conducts business, Rockefeller also established philanthropic foundations and emphasized scientific research, all the while retaining his strong religious beliefs. Bestseller 1998.

Black Dog of Fate: A Memoir RC 46395
by Peter Balakian
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
The author recalls his astonishment when, as a graduate student, he discovers that his ancestors were victims of a genocide in their native Armenia in 1915. Balakian's relatives chose silence as a way of survival. Since that time, the author claims, the Turkish government has run a campaign to keep the story

quiet. Violence and some strong language. 1997.

Casanova: The Man Who Really Loved Women RC 46475
by Lydia Flem
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
A psychoanalyst examines the life and memoirs of the self-professed great lover. Describes Giacomo Casanova's pleasure in reliving his experiences as he wrote twelve volumes of his reflections. Analyzes his amorous pursuit of women. Some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Open Lands: Travels through Russia's Once Forbidden Places RC 46500
by Mark Taplin
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
An American diplomatic officer chronicles his travels through seven Russian cities and regions that were restricted zones prior to 1992. Describes the local scenes, people, and historical events that took place in these areas during the Soviet era. Violence. 1997.

Russia: People and Empire, 1552–1917 RC 46501
by Geoffrey Hosking
read by Ralph Lowenstein
4 cassettes
Traces the history of Russia as a nation and an empire up to the year 1917. Asserts that the economic and political processes of state building impeded the development of a sense of national identity and cohesiveness among the Russian people. 1997.

The Man Who Ate Everything: And Other Gastronomic Feats, Disputes, and Pleasurable Pursuits RC 46513
by Jeffrey Steingarten
read by David Palmer
4 cassettes
Forty essays by the food critic of *Vogue*. To prepare for his career, the author decided to become the perfect omnivore. He rid his soul and palate of food phobias and cravings. The consummate gourmet discourses on how to achieve the crispiest French fry and why excessive consumption of salad is detrimental to good health, among other culinary deliberations. 1997.

In a Desert Garden: Love and Death among the Insects RC 46577
by John Alcock
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
A biologist recounts the experience and the results of converting his Tempe, Arizona, yard into a desert ecosystem. Describes his fascination with observing the march of milkweed bugs, fighting earwigs, pollinating zucchini bees, and the copulating cannibalism of mantises. 1997.

The Life and Times of Ron Brown: A Memoir by His Daughter RC 46580
by Tracey L. Brown
read by Barbara Pinolini
3 cassettes
Biography of the late secretary of commerce by his only daughter. Traces Ron Brown's family history and his career until the fatal 1996 plane crash in Bosnia. With a foreword by U.S. president Bill Clinton. 1998.

River of Time RC 46582
by Jon Swain
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
Account of the exodus in Vietnam and the fall of Cambodia to the Khmer Rouge, which Swain witnessed as a foreign correspondent in Indochina from 1970 to 1975. Although shocked and horrified by the senseless killing around him, Swain admired and appreciated both the French colonists and native cultures he encountered. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Duke: The Life and Image of John Wayne RC 46583
by Ronald L. Davis
read by Michael Consoli
3 cassettes
Biography of movie star John Wayne, who began his Hollywood career as a summer prop mover for actor Tom Mix at Fox Studios. Wayne was befriended by director John Ford and soon realized that a career as an actor was more interesting than that of the lawyer he had left home to become. After ten years of hard work, Wayne was a popular screen personality. 1998.

One Nation Indivisible: How Ethnic Separatism Threatens America RC 46585
by J. Harvie Wilkinson
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Examines the nature of ethnic diversity in America and the ways that polarization undermines national unity. Warns that certain laws and programs, such as affirmative action, which are aimed at redressing past wrongs, are also serving to foster racial separatism. 1997.

Whitewater Rafting: An Introductory Guide RC 46615
by Cecil Kuhne
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
A description of the thrills of whitewater rafting. Includes the equipment, technique, and safety basics of the sport. Also describes the anatomy of a river and environmental protection information. Glossary and nationwide list of rivers to explore. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1995.

Who's Afraid of Human Cloning? RC 46621
by Gregory E. Pence
read by David Elias
2 cassettes
A professor of philosophy and bioethics writes to allay some of the fears about cloning, a practice he feels has been condemned without logical discussion or debate. He examines misconceptions surrounding cloning and presents arguments both for and against human asexual reproduction using religious and scientific rationalizations. 1998.

Woodworking Projects for the Garden: Forty Fun and Useful Things for Folks Who Garden RC 46629
by Richard Freudenberger
read by Lindsay Ellison
2 cassettes
A woodworker's guide for constructing useful garden accessories. Describes techniques, materials, and the necessary tools. Presents scale drawings, plans, and procedures for forty building projects. 1994.

The Epic of New York City RC 46643
by Edward Robb Ellis
read by Ralph Lowenstein
5 cassettes
The social history of New York, New York. Covers the island from its European discovery in the 1500s until Mayor John Lindsay took office in the mid 1960s. Includes its scandals, riots, innovations, and improvements through four and one-half centuries. 1966.

Alexander Solzhenitsyn: A Century in His Life RC 46653
by D.M. Thomas
read by Ken Kliban
5 cassettes
A portrait of the celebrated Russian author, whose writings awakened the world to the horrors of the Stalinist regime. Traces his childhood following the Russian Revolution, his heroic service during World War II, his internment in the gulags, and his years of exile and repatriation. Violence. 1998.

Rhodes: The Race for Africa RC 46657
by Antony Thomas
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
The life of Cecil Rhodes, who was born in 1853 and sailed to Africa at sixteen because of poor health. Describes his modest beginning as a cotton farmer and his transformation into a diamond magnate, who also earned a fortune in gold. Rhodes annexed much of Africa for Great Britain and became one of the most powerful, and mistrusted, men of his time. 1996.

Sahara Unveiled: A Journey across the Desert RC 46670
by William Langewiesche
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
The author chronicles his journey through the Sahara Desert, south from Algiers to Senegal, mostly by public transportation. Describes his grueling travel across a harsh terrain, the region's colonial history and current political unrest, and the hardscrabble life of the indigenous Tuareg nomads. 1996.

A Prayer for the City RC 46708
by Buzz Bissinger
read by Randy Atcher
4 cassettes
Portrait of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in the mid-1990s and its mayor, Edward Rendell, whom U.S. vice president Al Gore called "America's mayor." Asserts that the city was in crisis and on the brink of bankruptcy when Rendell took over in 1992. Traces the key challenges that the civic leader faced in keeping the city afloat. Strong language. 1997.

The 2,000-Year-Old Man in the Year 2000: The Book; Including How to Not Die and Other Good Tips RC 46760
by Mel Brooks and Carl Reiner
read by Ray Hagen
1 cassette
A zany memoir of a two-thousand-year-old man. Traces his imagined life—his childhood in a prehistoric cave, his five hundred marriages, and his facetious encounters with Jesus, Cleopatra, Joan of Arc, and other historic figures. Takes aim at some absurd aspects of civilization. Strong language. 1997.

The Geography of Nowhere: The Rise and Decline of America's Man-Made Landscape RC 46797
by James Howard Kunstler
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
Examines the evolution of the American landscape and how it has changed since the arrival of the automobile. Kunstler argues that the car has done away with downtown Main Streets and coherent communities, and he explores the social, spiritual, and economic impacts on human lives. Prequel to *Home from Nowhere (RC 46798)*. 1993.

Home from Nowhere: Remaking Our Everyday World for the Twenty-First Century RC 46798
by James Howard Kunstler
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Geography of Nowhere (RC 46797)*, Kunstler assails America's architectural environment in which suburbs are "profoundly uncivil" and cities are "empty shells." He calls for remaking our flawed surroundings to be conducive to a more civil society. Strong language. 1996.

Florence Harding: The First Lady, the Jazz Age, and the Death of America's Most Scandalous President RC 46805
by Carl Sferrazza Anthony
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
5 cassettes
In this biography Florence Harding is portrayed as an immensely popular first lady. During the 1920s she championed women's rights, helped establish the Veterans Bureau, welcomed African American women to the White House, and was her husband's political partner. She also endured his adulterous affairs and numerous scandals. 1998.

The Man Made of Words: Essays, Stories, Passages RC 46821
by N. Scott Momaday
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
A collection of more than thirty years of writing by the prizewinning Native American author. Momaday grew up hearing Kiowa but thinking and speaking English and enchanted by words. In these pieces recording a variety of experiences as he journeys through the world, he reflects on the miracle of language that defines human beings. 1997.

The Gospel of Germs: Men, Women, and the Microbe in American Life RC 46833
by Nancy Tomes
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
An account of the advances in public health standards and practices between 1870 and 1930, which resulted from Americans' growing awareness of germs and the diseases they cause. Traces the scientific discoveries, progress in education, and improvements in personal hygiene that transformed American society. 1998.

Keats RC 46837
by Andrew Motion
read by Bill Wallace
5 cassettes
A biography of the English Romantic poet John Keats, who died at twenty-five. Emphasizes Keats's political views as well as his character and poetry. Reevaluates earlier biographies and quotes from Keats's correspondence. Provides the historical context of

Keats's life in the early nineteenth century. 1997.

The River War: An Account of the Re-Conquest of the Soudan RC 46843
by Winston S. Churchill
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
This eyewitness account of the British military campaign in the Sudan was written by a future prime minister and first published in 1899. Describes how, at age twenty-three, the young Churchill maneuvered to become part of a military action, hoping to lay the foundation for a political career. The fourteen-year "river war" ultimately left Britain in control of the Nile. 1997.

Spirit Moves: The Story of Six Generations of Native Women RC 46850
by Loree Boyd
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
An account of the author's matrilineal family beginning with Bird Song, her grandmother's grandmother. Portrays women overcoming obstacles—abusive men, family patterns of alcoholism, and the barriers created by a prejudiced society—to create meaningful lives for themselves. Some violence and some descriptions of sex. 1996.

Spies of the Confederacy RC 46860
by John Bakeless
read by Randy Atcher
3 cassettes
An account of the Confederate espionage system, which at the start of the Civil War was "already organized and highly efficient, with tentacles reaching into the vital secrets of the Federal government." Describes the daring exploits of Rebel Rose, the Gray Ghost, and other agents. 1970.

You Don't Have to Be Blind to See RC 46869
by Jim Stovall
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
The author, blind before the age of thirty as a result of juvenile macular degeneration, encourages others to achieve through their dreams. Using examples from his own life, Stovall suggests that people can succeed by changing the way they think. He recommends that once a path is decided, people should find mentors to help them along the way. For senior high and older readers. 1996.

Vincent van Gogh: Artist RC 46876
by Peter Tyson
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
A biography of the Dutch painter born in 1853. Covers his childhood and early career choices before deciding to be an artist at age twenty-seven. Includes information on his psychological problems and bouts of melancholia. Describes van Gogh's affinity for southern France, where he produced many paintings and where he committed suicide at age thirty-seven. For junior and senior high readers. 1996.

Pain Free: A Revolutionary Method for Stopping Chronic Pain RC 46887
by Pete Egoscue
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Anatomical physiologist describes a menu of exercises designed to rediscover the human template. He believes these "E-cises" restore proper movement and eliminate pain by pinpointing specific musculoskeletal functions that

may have been compromised by a variety of factors including a sedentary lifestyle. 1998.

1001 Things Everyone Should Know about the Universe RC 46891
by William A. Gutsch
read by Lou Harpeneau
3 cassettes
Facts and comments about the solar system, including chapters on the sun, the moon, stars, black holes, and the search for extraterrestrial life. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

Coping with PMS (Premenstrual Syndrome) RC 46903
by Barbara Moe
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Explains puberty, ovulation, and menstruation as well as the physical and emotional aspects of PMS. Includes sources for additional information and recipes and lifestyle changes to facilitate self-improvement. Also provides a glossary. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

The Professor and the Madman: A Tale of Murder, Insanity, and the Making of the *Oxford English Dictionary* RC 46906
by Simon Winchester
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
An account of the unusual circumstances leading to the friendship between the *Oxford English Dictionary*'s editor, Dr. James Murray, and one of its most prolific contributors, Dr. W.C. Minor, an American criminal. Relates the details of Dr. Minor's crime and its aftermath and how he first began his correspondence with Dr. Murray. Bestseller 1998.

The Ten Commandments: The Significance of God's Laws in Everyday Life RC 46912
by Laura Schlessinger and Stewart Vogel
read by Susan Nardone
3 cassettes
With the help of a rabbi, Dr. Laura, a syndicated radio talk-show therapist, explains the importance of each of the Ten Commandments in late-1990s society. Using quotations from both the Old and New Testament, she reinforces the concepts that are the basis for Western civilization. Bestseller 1998.

Lindbergh RC 46913
by A. Scott Berg
read by Richard Hauenstein
5 cassettes
The authorized biography of the pilot who became a symbol of the aviation age. Describes Lindbergh's 1927 transatlantic flight as the defining moment of his life. Discusses his role in the development of aviation for use in war and peacetime. Explores facets of Lindbergh's public and private images. Bestseller 1998.

The Best American Sports Writing, 1997 RC 46929
edited by George Plimpton
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Twenty-one articles from 1997 written about sports of all types. Includes an excerpt on the tragic climbing of Mount Everest from Jon Krakauer's *Into Thin Air (RC 44525)*, a piece by Gay Talese on Muhammad Ali in Cuba, and another by Gary Smith on Tiger Woods. 1997.

The Modern Ark: The Story of Zoos: Past, Present, and Future RC 46936
by Vicki Croke
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Examines the changing nature of zoos in the United States. Contrasts the traditional model of concrete cells with the "new zoo" that provides a more natural habitat. Discusses the modern goals of educating visitors, conducting research, protecting endangered species, and preserving genetic diversity. 1997.

The Names of Things: A Passage in the Egyptian Desert RC 46940
by Susan Brind Morrow
read by Nanette Savard
1 cassette
In this memoir-cum-travelog, Morrow describes her upstate New York family and how her love of language and nature developed. Originally attracted to Egyptian hieroglyphs more than Egypt itself, she first went there with an archaeological team in 1980. She muses about the origins of words while exploring the solace of the desert wilderness. 1997.

On Stage, Off Stage: A Memoir RC 46945
by Régine Crespin
read by Nanette Savard
2 cassettes
Autobiography of the French opera singer, who says that singing is her joy and priority. She recalls childhood memories of duets with her Italian grandmother and discusses her musical career from the late 1950s to her farewell galas in Paris in 1990. She also describes her family, her love life, and her battles with cancer. 1997.

Like Judgment Day: The Ruin and Redemption of a Town Called Rosewood RC 46947
by Michael D'Orso
read by Rick Foucheux
3 cassettes
In January 1923 the African American mill town of Rosewood, Florida, was destroyed by a mob seeking a rape suspect. An unknown number of people were killed, and the townspeople never returned. For decades no one spoke of the tragedy until *Sixty Minutes* broadcast the story in December 1983. Violence and strong language. 1996.

Wings and Warriors: My Life as a Naval Aviator RC 46955
by Donald D. Engen
read by Jeff Baker
4 cassettes
Memoir of a naval aviator over "twenty-five years of technological and flying development in the U.S. Navy from the 1940s into the 1960s." Traces the integration of jet aircraft into naval operations, describing how jets have transformed aviation warfare. 1997.

Rita Will: Memoir of a Literary Rabble-Rouser RC 46957
by Rita Mae Brown
read by MaryBeth Wise
4 cassettes
Autobiography of the openly lesbian novelist who has coauthored mysteries with her cat, Sneaky Pie. Describes her illegitimate birth, adoption by relatives, and southern childhood; how she became an advocate for women's rights; and her relationships with tennis star Martina Navratilova and author Fannie Flagg. Some strong language. 1997.

The Science, Spread, and Therapy of HIV Disease: Everything You Need to Know but Had No Idea Who to Ask RC 46966
by Michael A. DiSpezio
read by Faith Potts
2 cassettes
In question-and-answer format, the book explains what the AIDS virus is and how to treat it. Includes tests for each segment and a list of Internet sites that provide further information. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

The Party: A Guide to Adventurous Entertaining RC 46968
by Sally Quinn
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Quinn, known for her coverage of the social scene in Washington, D.C., as well as the parties she gives, offers suggestions on how to have a successful party for a few or for a few hundred people. Her two main rules are to treat her guests as she likes to be treated, and to have a good time. 1997.

The Magic Kingdom: Walt Disney and the American Way of Life RC 46970
by Steven Watts
read by Steven Carpenter
4 cassettes
Both a biography of Walt Disney and a social study of the Disney enterprise and its influence on American values. Traces Disney's family, the growth of his company, and the cultural impact of the multi-billion-dollar corporation. 1997.

Sotheby's: The Inside Story RC 47021
by Peter Watson
read by Bob Kuhn
3 cassettes
An account of journalist Watson's investigation of the well-known art auction house in London. Recalls how he learned of possible illegal operations from James Hodges, a former employee of the company. In order to verify the story, Watson planned a sting operation in which an Italian painting was to be sold at auction in London. The story also aired on CBS's *60 Minutes*. 1997.

Murder Most Rare: The Female Serial Killer RC 47023
by Michael D. Kelleher and C.L. Kelleher
read by Jeremy Gage
2 cassettes
A study of nearly one hundred female serial killers outlining their motives, methods, and eventual punishments. Organized into ten chapters by category of murder such as: black widows, revenge, angels of death, and team killers. Some violence. 1998.

The Seekers: The Story of Man's Continuing Quest to Understand His World RC 47037
by Daniel J. Boorstin
read by Gordon Gould
3 cassettes
The former librarian of congress completes his trilogy begun with *The Discoverers (RC 20145)*, followed by *The Creators (RC 35507)*, with this account of the people he considers "seekers." Boorstin defines three epochs of searching: the age of prophets and philosophers, the age of communal seeking, and finally the age of social science. 1998.

Kaddish RC 47043
by Leon Wieseltier
read by Robert Blumenfeld
4 cassettes
Wieseltier had not lived according to Jewish law for more than twenty years. Yet when his father died in 1996, Wie-

seltier recited the mourner's kaddish and continued to do so three times a day for a year. He also began to question what he was saying and why. This spiritual journal recounts his inquiry into the origins and meanings of the kaddish and of his responsibility to his parents and to the past. Bestseller 1998.

Ranting Again RC 47083
by Dennis Miller
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
In this companion to *The Rants (RC 42042)*, the television comedian continues to humorously seethe. Topics include President Bill Clinton, immigration, and parenthood. His solution for quickly obtaining gun control is to remove the metal detectors in Washington, D.C., congressional buildings. Strong language. 1998.

Living with Our Genes: Why They Matter More Than You Think RC 47085
by Dean Hamer and Peter Copeland
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
A geneticist explores the links between DNA and a person's temperament. Avers that specific genes predispose individuals toward anxiety, thrill-seeking, violence, homosexuality, and addiction. Cautions that our genes influence who we are but do not predestine our lives. 1998.

Finding Flow: The Psychology of Engagement with Everyday Life RC 47088
by Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi
read by Randy Davidson
1 cassette
Advises taking charge of one's life by choosing activities that engage the entire body and the mind. The author describes "flow" as a source of psychic energy that focuses attention and motivates people to act. Argues that using individual initiative and personal choice leads to a more interesting existence. 1997.

The Compassion of Animals: True Stories of Animal Courage and Kindness RC 47090
by Kristin Von Kreisler
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
The author presents a collection of anecdotes to demonstrate that animals are capable of being kind and compassionate. She tells of animals that helped their owners during medical emergencies, of those that rescued people, and of others who assisted in providing emotional therapy. Her subjects include dogs, cats, pigs, horses, and even an iguana. 1997.

Agent of Destiny: The Life and Times of General Winfield Scott RC 47093
by John S.D. Eisenhower
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
A portrait of a distinguished military leader in the first half of the nineteenth century. Traces his youth in Virginia, his legal training, and his performance in the War of 1812 and the Mexican War of the 1840s. Depicts the personal vanity and arrogance that marred his reputation as a brilliant soldier. 1997.

Coping with Migraines and Other Headaches RC 47095
by Andrea Votava
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Provides a definition and discussion of headaches—types, causes, cures, and self-help techniques for alleviating

them. Explores alternative as well as traditional approaches. Includes a glossary and a list of relevant organizations and web sites for further research. For senior high and older readers. 1997.

Machine Beauty: Elegance and the Heart of Technology RC 47096

by David Gelernter
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Explains the computer revolution as a quest for beauty, which the author defines as "a happy marriage of simplicity and power." Discusses the notion of practical beauty as the goal and driving force for developing unobtrusive software that readily appeals to users and that can augment human intellect. 1998.

Comets: Creators and Destroyers RC 47099

by David H. Levy
read by Randy Davidson
1 cassette
The discoverer of twenty-two comets, including Shoemaker-Levy 9, describes his work and tells how "these flying balls of ice and dust have shaped the course of life on Earth." Surveys the history of comets beginning four billion years ago and describes a likely scenario for a large comet striking the earth in the future. 1998.

The Light in the Skull: An Odyssey of Medical Discovery RC 47100

by Ronald Glasser
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
A historical survey of medical research examines a broad sample of infectious diseases and the scientists who studied them. Discusses the fact that initial observations are often refuted in favor of prevailing beliefs. For senior high readers. 1997.

An Exhibit Denied: Lobbying the History of *Enola Gay* RC 47104

by Martin Harwit
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Former director of the National Air and Space Museum discusses the original *Enola Gay* exhibit, planned to mark the fiftieth anniversary of World War II, and the ensuing controversy. Traces the research and preparations for the display that prompted the U.S. Congress to demand its cancellation and led to Harwit's resignation. 1996.

Prescription for Disaster: The Hidden Dangers in Your Medicine Cabinet RC 47109

by Thomas J. Moore
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Noting that almost a million people per year suffer from the side effects of medication, the author warns patients to discuss the potential dangers of their medicine with a physician. Presents effective methods of conversing with doctors. Describes the way medicine is regulated in this country and calls for an overhaul of the system. 1998.

The Mozart Effect: Tapping the Power of Music to Heal the Body, Strengthen the Mind, and Unlock the Creative Spirit RC 47110

by Don Campbell
read by Andy Chappell
2 cassettes
A classical musician and educational director explains how music can be an alternative healing method. He cites his personal experiences and those of many others. He also illustrates how people

integrate the concept of musical healing—using ears, voice, and choice of music—into their daily lives. 1997.

Wraps: Easy Recipes for Handheld Meals RC 47118
by Mary Corpening Barber and others
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Fifty recipes for preparing a wide variety of fillings wrapped in tortillas. Examples are tofu twister, sloppy joe, hungry Hungarian, Vietnamese wrap-ease, trail mix, and ice cream wrapwich. Includes choices for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and dessert. 1997.

Coping with Diabetes RC 47119
by Pat Kelly
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Describes different types of diabetes and how they are diagnosed. Explains the role of diet, exercise, medication, and monitoring techniques in treating the disease. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1998.

Mars and Venus Starting Over: A Practical Guide for Finding Love Again after a Painful Breakup, Divorce, or the Loss of a Loved One RC 47134
by John Gray
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
The author of *Men Are from Mars, Women Are from Venus (RC 35918)* offers suggestions on opening one's self to love after the death of a mate or after a divorce. Describes the healing process common to both men and women. Explains the differences in the ways males and females resolve loss. Bestseller 1998.

Landscapes of the Heart: A Memoir RC 47156
by Elizabeth Spencer
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
Recollections of the twentieth-century southern writer known for her short stories and novels. Spencer describes her formative years in Carrollton, Mississippi. She explains how her education at Vanderbilt University expanded her world. Spencer also discusses her friendships with Eudora Welty, Saul Bellow, and John Cheever, among other authors. 1998.

A-Train: Memoirs of a Tuskegee Airman RC 47159
by Charles W. Dryden
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Autobiography by a retired lieutenant colonel of the United States Air Force who was one of the original African American fighter pilots in World War II. Dryden discusses his experiences in a segregated military institution where he and his colleagues, although they never lost a bomber, were denied privileges at American bases because of their race. 1997.

Helping Your Depressed Teenager: A Guide for Parents and Caregivers RC 47166
by Gerald D. Oster and
Sarah S. Montgomery
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Guide to the symptoms and various treatments available for teenagers dealing with depression. Discusses the difference between typical teen behavior and serious psychological depression. Includes information on suicide, sub-

stance abuse, sexuality, and inheritable conditions. 1995.

A Woman's Guide to Savvy Investing: Everything You Need to Know to Protect Your Future RC 47177
by Marsha Bertrand
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Practical advice on managing money—from investing in stocks and bonds to choosing an advisor and reading newsletters while having fun doing so. Explains financial terminology and how to analyze a company. Glossary included. 1998.

Like Men of War: Black Troops in the Civil War, 1862–1865 RC 47179
by Noah Andre Trudeau
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
A producer at National Public Radio reconstructs the combat history of African American troops during the Civil War. Describes skirmishes and battles, including the massacre of captured African American Union soldiers at Fort Pillow, Tennessee, and the defeat of Fort Fisher, North Carolina. Some violence and some strong language. 1998.

Life in War-Torn Bosnia RC 47182
by Diane Yancey
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
Describes ancient feuds between Serbs, Croats, and Muslims that exploded into civil war in the former country of Yugoslavia in the 1990s. Examines the history of the region and its different cultures, religions, and multiple wars. Depicts everyday struggles including those unique to children. Violence. For senior high and older readers. 1996.

Mahler: A Biography RC 47184
by Jonathan Carr
read by Peter Gil
2 cassettes
Traces the late-Romantic composer's path from Austria to America. Highlights Mahler's childhood and musical life in Central Europe until his early forties when he met and married the beautiful and much younger Alma Schindler. In the last decade of his life, he composed some of his most renowned works and moved from Europe to New York. 1997.

Victor Hugo RC 47196
by Graham Robb
read by Annie Wauters
5 cassettes
Biography of the nineteenth-century French author, Victor Hugo. In addition to writing poems, plays, and novels, Hugo was a painter and architect. Living through the French Revolution and Napoleonic eras, Hugo became a radical political thinker who was exiled from both France and Great Britain. Winner of the Whitbread Award. 1997.

The Difference between God and Larry Ellison: Inside Oracle Corporation (God Doesn't Think He's Larry Ellison) RC 47199
by Mike Wilson
read by Michael Consoli
3 cassettes
A chronicle of the founding of Oracle Software Corporation by the fifth-richest man in the United States. The author, an investigative reporter, interviewed owner Larry Ellison, his friends, and his employees in order to present this inside view of the company. Some strong language. 1997.

The Queen: A Biography of Elizabeth II RC 47203
by Ben Pimlott
read by Vanessa Maroney
5 cassettes
The author describes how Elizabeth, who was never expected to become queen, was thrust toward the role after her uncle's abdication as king. Pimlott suggests that through no fault of Elizabeth's, political and social upheavals and scandals involving her children have come to threaten the existence of the monarchy since she began her reign in 1952. 1996.

The Americans: The Colonial Experience RC 47246
by Daniel J. Boorstin
read by Robert Sams
4 cassettes
Covering American history up to the 1780s, historian Boorstin discusses how settlers' dreams were transformed by the reality of life in America, how communities were developed with visions not obstructed by the past, how a new language style developed, and how these experiences shaped Americans' views on peace and war. Prequel to *The Americans: The National Experience (RC 47247)*. 1958.

Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul II: 101 More Stories of Life, Love, and Learning RC 47252
compiled by Jack Canfield and others
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Poems, stories, and anecdotes written by teenagers are arranged by theme including relationships, friends and family, growing up, and making a difference. Sequel to *Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul (RC 44853)*. For senior high and older readers. Bestseller 1998.

Conversations with God: An Uncommon Dialogue, Book 3 RC 47255
by Neale Donald Walsch
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
In *Conversations with God, Book 1 (RC 44643)*, Walsch discussed individual truths, and in *Book 2 (RC 44644)*, global truths. In this volume, which deals with universal truths, Walsch answers such questions as "What is time?" "What happens when you die?" and "What will be the fate of the planet?" Bestseller 1998.

The Virtues of Aging RC 47259
by Jimmy Carter
read by Michael Consoli
1 cassette
A former U.S. president provides suggestions on how to live a happy and productive life after retirement. Discusses the challenges that confront people as they age, including finances, health, and leisure time. Describes how the Carters, like millions of others, encountered unpleasant circumstances and remedied the situations. Bestseller 1998.

Ernie Pyle's War: America's Eyewitness to World War II RC 47264
by James Tobin
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
Biography of the journalist whose columns on the German bombing of London in December 1940 were immediately popular back in the United States. Provides information on Pyle's personal life and career; traces his perspective on covering the war from the ordinary soldier's viewpoint; includes

quotes from his writings that ended with his death near Okinawa in April 1945. 1997.

Simply Speaking: How to Communicate Your Ideas with Style, Substance, and Clarity RC 47267
by Peggy Noonan
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
A former speechwriter for U.S. presidents Ronald Reagan and George Bush offers "advice and anecdotes about the writing and giving of speeches." Exhorts both veteran and novice speakers to organize their message using logic, sincerity, humor, and short sentences, while keeping the speech under twenty minutes. 1998.

Zarafa: A Giraffe's True Story, from Deep in Africa to the Heart of Paris RC 47271
by Michael Allin
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Describes the 1827 arrival in Paris of the first giraffe, a royal gift to King Charles X of France from Muhammad Ali, the ruler of Egypt. Provides the historical background that led to her journey from the Sudan down the Nile River to Alexandria, across the Mediterranean Sea, and to her triumphal march from Marseille to her presentation at Saint-Cloud. 1998.

The Mirror of Lida Sal: Tales Based on Mayan Myths and Guatemalan Legends RC 47278
by Miguel Angel Asturias
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette
Ten pieces of myth-based fiction by the 1967 Nobel laureate. In the title story, Lida, a young dishwasher for a restaurant, seeks to capture a rich man's love through a local custom. Seeing herself in a full-length mirror proves to be the most difficult requirement. 1997.

Dave Barry Turns Fifty RC 47313
by Dave Barry
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Florida columnist and author focuses his humor on the aging of baby boomers. He gives highlights of each of the "formative boomer years" from 1947, when he was born, to 1974. Barry grumbles about such issues as failing eyesight, retirement planning, and not being "hip" anymore. Bestseller 1998.

The African-American Soldier: From Crispus Attucks to Colin Powell RC 47314
by Michael Lee Lanning
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
History of the role of African Americans in the armed services from colonial days to the 1990s. The author, a retired lieutenant colonel, describes the military climate of each conflict and the contributions of African Americans in defense of their country. 1997.

Chocolate for a Woman's Heart: Seventy-seven Stories of Love, Kindness, and Compassion to Nourish Your Soul and Sweeten Your Dreams RC 47318
edited by Kay Allenbaugh
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Collection of heartfelt essays by a wide variety of female contributors, including ministers, professional speakers, novelists, and mothers. Topics range

from divine intervention to falling in love to overcoming depression. 1998.

Light Years: A Memoir RC 47335
by Le Anne Schreiber
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
Although Schreiber has always craved sunlight, it was only when she was almost forty that she left indoor Manhattan for outdoor upstate New York. She reflects on the reasons for changing her lifestyle and what happened to her in the next decade. The subsequent deaths of her mother, then her father, then her brother bring further self-evaluation and reminiscences. 1996.

Sensible Justice: Alternatives to Prison RC 47336
by David C. Anderson
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Discusses a variety of rehabilitative programs being used as less costly alternatives to imprisoning criminals. Analyzes the effectiveness of such sanctions as house arrest, community service, military-style boot camps, and various therapeutic regimes. 1998.

The Meaning of Prayer RC 47339
by Harry Emerson Fosdick
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Gives daily readings with biblical support for the power of prayer. Questions appear at the end of each chapter for individual or group use. 1949.

A Tribe Apart: A Journey into the Heart of American Adolescence RC 47342
by Patricia Hersch
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
After studying a diverse group of suburban adolescents for three years, the author contends that the baby-boom generation essentially neglects its youth. She observes that the majority of teens are left alone and unsupervised at a time when they most need adult guidance. Consequently, she asserts, many of them participate in unhealthy behaviors. Some strong language. 1998.

The Minuteman: Restoring an Army of the People RC 47344
by Gary Hart
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
A former senator and presidential candidate critiques America's post-Cold War military structure as "muscle-bound, confused, wasteful, and desperately in search of a mission." Argues for maintaining a small, professional "911 force" backed up by a larger reserve "army of the people." 1998.

On Death and Dying RC 47351
by Elisabeth Kubler-Ross
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A physician and psychiatrist contends that societal changes have created a fear of death at a time when the aging population needs to understand and contend with it. The doctor summarizes coping mechanisms that help terminally ill people to achieve acceptance and to find hope. Discusses family issues and therapy. 1969.

Hamilton's Blessing: The Extraordinary Life and Times of Our National Debt RC 47354
by John Steele Gordon
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Traces the history of the U.S. government and economic thinking over two hundred years. Examines the origins

and importance of the national debt, the banking and tax systems, the establishment of the federal reserve, and the invention of the war bond. Explains how policies instituted by Hamilton and Jefferson remain relevant. 1997.

Dancing with Strangers: A Memoir RC 47358
by Mel Watkins
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Autobiography by the first African American editor at the *New York Times Book Review* and author of a book on African American humor, *On the Real Side (RC 41288)*. Watkins recalls his upbringing in Ohio during the forties and fifties, his scholarship at Colgate University, and the resulting culture shock. Watkins there decided that he would personally abandon the concept of race. Some strong language. 1998.

At the President's Side: The Vice Presidency in the Twentieth Century RC 47365
edited by Timothy Walch
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Collection of essays about twentieth-century vice presidents from Theodore Roosevelt to Dan Quayle and about the office itself. Contributors include American history professors, journalists, directors of presidential libraries, and political advisors. 1997.

Healthy Living with Diabetes RC 47367
by Margot Joan Fromer
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
The author emphasizes control of lifestyle as key to controlling the disease. Provides practical tips for diet and exercise. Recommends methods of self-monitoring of blood glucose level and following medication instructions correctly. Discusses prevention of health complications. Includes chapters on childhood diabetes and parental responsibilities. 1998.

Grow Up! How Taking Responsibility Can Make You a Happy Adult RC 47368
by Frank Pittman
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
A psychiatrist depicts the traits that lead people to happiness as adults—mainly by becoming responsible. He laments the collapse of patriarchy and the rise of a narcissistic society that has led to a nation of victims. Discusses marriage, parenting, divorce, and how to become a grown-up man or woman. 1998.

Eat the Rich RC 47385
by P.J. O'Rourke
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
In a treatise on economics by a conservative humorist, the author visits Wall Street to learn how the stock market works. He then ventures to different countries with diverse economic systems to see which succeed. Concludes with the observation that the free market equals economic truth and wealth. Some strong language. Bestseller 1998.

Storm of the Century RC 47485
by Stephen King
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Screenplay for a TV miniseries. General store owner Mike Anderson recounts what happened when a blizzard struck Little Tall Island, Maine, and Andre Linoge arrived for a horror-filled visit. Eighty-year-old Martha Clarendon

was the first to see the stranger, and he killed her with his wolf-headed cane. Some violence. Bestseller 1999.

. . .And the Horse He Rode in On: The People v. Kenneth Starr RC 47496
by James Carville
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
A Democratic political analyst contends that U.S. independent counsel Ken Starr's four-year (1994–1998), forty-million-dollar investigation of the Whitewater affair is a right-wing conspiracy to unseat President William Clinton. Alleges that Republicans bribed and threatened people in pursuit of their goals. Bestseller 1998.

Betrayal: How the Clinton Administration Undermined American Security RC 48196
by Bill Gertz
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Washington Times reporter on national security and defense issues cites Pentagon, State Department, and White House sources to argue that president Clinton's foreign policy decisions have weakened U.S. prospects for peace and stability. Includes copies of government documents to support his claims. Bestseller 1999.

Cassettes Fiction

Mexican Hat RC 45203
by Michael McGarrity
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Kevin Kerney was Santa Fe chief of detectives in *Tularosa (RC 43385)* but is now working as a temporary forest ranger. Despite threats, he is soon trying to sort out a series of poachings. He also must deal with a long-standing ranching-family feud, a long-ago murder, and a current paramilitary movement. Strong language and violence. 1997.

Mortal Stakes RC 46112
by Robert B. Parker
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Spenser, P.I., is hired to find out if Red Sox star pitcher Marty Rabb is deliberately causing his team to lose. Spenser investigates Marty's family first and soon finds evidence that points to none other than Mrs. Rabb. Some violence and some strong language. 1975.

The Rise of Endymion RC 46115
by Dan Simmons
read by John Polk
6 cassettes
Aenea comes of age in this sequel to *Endymion (RC 45928)*. The Pax forms an alliance with the TechnoCore and declares war on the threatening Ousters. The Pax is also looking for Aenea, who is currently on Earth preparing to outwit the Pax and the Core with her lover, Raul Endymion. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Hornblower and the *Atropos* RC 46119
by C.S. Forester
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
After riding through the Cotswolds with his family on a canal boat, Hornblower heads to London and takes command of the *Atropos*, the flagship for Lord Nelson's funeral procession. Hornblower then travels to the Mediterranean to recover lost treasures and challenge a Spanish ship more than twice the size of

the Atropos. Sequel to *Hornblower and the Hotspur (RC 46118)*. 1953.

Magnificat RC 46266
by Julian May
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Diamond Mask (RC 40120)*, humans now enjoy membership in the Galactic Milieu and mingle with numerous races of the galaxy. But then ethnocentrism, encouraged by the rebel Marc Remillard, rears its ugly head. Marc's brother Jack the Bodiless and the young woman Diamond Mask must stop the anarchists' scheme. Strong language and violence. 1996.

The Warding of Witch World RC 46375
by Andre Norton
read by Mary Kane
4 cassettes
Alizondern nobles allow evil to flood into Witch World when they open their gates to other worlds. All of the ancient enemies in Witch World, including Simon Tregarth, Eydryth, Destree n'Regnant, the Falconers, and the Keplian Mares, unite to search out and close all of the entrances in order to save their planet. 1996.

The Complete Stories RC 46377
by Bernard Malamud
read by David Elias
5 cassettes
Collection of fifty-five previously published stories written between 1940 and 1984. They demonstrate Malamud's development from narratives grounded in the real-life surroundings of his parents' Brooklyn grocery to tales of fantasy written later in life. Concludes with experimental pieces about Virginia Woolf and Alma, wife of composer Gustav Mahler. 1997.

Dr. Neruda's Cure for Evil RC 46390
by Rafael Yglesias
read by Jeff Baker
5 cassettes
Psychiatrist Rafael Neruda tries to understand why one of his long-term patients, Gene Kenny, has murdered his ex-wife and committed suicide. Divided into sections, the story first presents Dr. Neruda's memoir, then Gene's case history, and finally Neruda's unusual investigation of Gene's actions. Some descriptions of sex, some strong language, and some violence. 1996.

The Best American Short Stories, 1997: Selected from U.S. and Canadian Magazines RC 46406
edited by E. Annie Proulx
read by Kimberly Schraf
4 cassettes
In a departure from the usual alphabetical format, this year's collection is arranged into four categories to serve as a "reminder of the rich possibilities of the story form . . . ." Manners and Right Behavior includes a story by Robert Stone; Identifying the Stranger has one by Cynthia Ozick; Perceived Social Values includes a story by Clyde Edgerton; and Rites of Passage includes Tobias Wolff. 1997.

The Calcutta Chromosome: A Novel of Fevers, Delirium, and Discovery RC 46450
by Amitav Ghosh
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Antar, an Egyptian computer analyst working in New York, is intrigued by an ID card that once belonged to Murugan—a researcher who disappeared years ago. Murugan was studying the work of Ronald Ross, who had discov-

ered the malaria-mosquito connection. Tracking Murugan leads Antar to an alternate interpretation of medical history. Some strong language. 1995.

The Young Savages RC 46483
by Fred Mustard Stewart
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Magnificent Savages (RC 46482)*, Justin Savage and his family are living a comfortable life in 1880s New York City. Johnny Savage decides to find adventure out west with his college buddy Teddy Roosevelt. His half-sister, Julie, who is half-Chinese, is treated as a pariah and decides to return to China. Some violence and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Getting Off Clean RC 46492
by Timothy Murphy
read by Christopher Hurt
3 cassettes
High schooler Eric Fitzpatrick strives to conceal the homosexual desires that could ruin his life. When he becomes sexually involved with a wealthy, black prep school student, a racially charged murder embroils the town in strife and forces Eric to reveal his painful secret. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. 1997.

Deryni Magic: A Grimoire RC 46574
by Katherine Kurtz
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
In this companion book to her Deryni novels, Kurtz presents a collection of spells and recipes, ritual procedures, and magical instructions used by the healers in the novels. 1990.

My Heart Laid Bare RC 46575
by Joyce Carol Oates
read by Laura Giannarelli
5 cassettes
Abraham Licht arrives in the village of Muirkirk, New York, in 1891 with his curious family in tow. A con artist, Abraham disappears for months at a time. Growing up, the children of different mothers learn their father's tricks and manufacture their own scams and schemes, including murder. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1998.

Bringing Out the Dead RC 46599
by Joe Connelly
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Chronicles two hectic days in the life of paramedic Frank Pierce, as he steers his ambulance through New York's streets to the aid of people who experience heart attacks, drug overdoses, and other crises. In saving their lives, Pierce seeks relief from the pain in his own. Strong language and violence. 1998.

***The Dancing Girl of Izu* and Other Stories RC 46623**
by Yasunari Kawabata
read by Robert Sams
1 cassette
Twenty-three pieces by Japan's first Nobel laureate, all but one written before 1930. "The Dancing Girl of Izu," first published in 1925, appears here in an unabridged translation that conveys a youth's attraction to a young female entertainer. Eighteen selections are brief "palm-of-the-hand" stories. 1997.

Donnerjack RC 46627
by Roger Zelazny and Jane Lindskold
read by Rick Rohan
4 cassettes
In a pact with Death, Donnerjack agrees to give up his firstborn for the return of his lover Ayradyss. Donnerjack does not know that conception is even possible, because he is from Verite, the real world, while Ayradyss is from Virtu, the virtual world. But once reunited, they produce a son. 1997.

The Universal Donor RC 46630
by Craig Nova
read by Gary Roan
2 cassettes
Dr. Terry McKechnie is working in the emergency room when his adulterous lover, Virginia Lee, is admitted with a snakebite. When Lee reacts adversely to the antivenin and needs a transfusion of rare blood, McKechnie goes to great lengths to locate a donor. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. 1997.

My Brother Michael RC 46631
by Janis Owens
read by Jeremy Gage
2 cassettes
Gabe Catts has always secretly loved Myra, the girl next door. While attending college up north, he drowns his distress in alcohol over her marriage to his brother, Michael. Later Michael, dying from cancer, asks Gabe to return home and look after his estate, including Michael's family. Strong language and violence. 1997.

Bed of Roses RC 46634
by Katherine Stone
read by Mimi Black
2 cassettes
Actress Cassandra Winter has been brutally attacked and lies near death in a Los Angeles hospital. Besides her lover, the one man who demands to see her is Chase Tessier, who claims she is his wife. In a series of flashbacks, the connection between Cassandra and Chase, as well as the rest of the Tessier family, is revealed, along with long-kept secrets that threaten to destroy many people. 1998.

The Last Best Hope RC 46635
by Ed McBain
read by Norm Thibeault
2 cassettes
Florida attorney Matthew Hope calls on Steve Carella, of New York's 87th Precinct, for help in locating Jill Lawton's missing husband, Jack. Hope and Carella run into a mysterious gang that is planning to rob a small Florida museum of an ancient Greek artifact. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. 1998.

The Adrian Mole Diaries: *The Secret Diary of Adrian Mole, Aged 13-3/4*; *The Growing Pains of Adrian Mole* RC 46651
by Sue Townsend
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
British teenager records his worries about being short, his parents, his dog, choosing a career, and daily events in England in the 1980s. Originally published as two separate volumes in 1982 and 1985. For junior and senior high readers. 1985.

Time to Depart RC 46659
by Lindsey Davis
read by Gordon Gould
3 cassettes
Rome, A.D. 72. Private investigator Marcus Falco and his friend Petro hope to see the end of organized crime with

the death sentence for underworld boss Balbinus Pius. But Roman law gives the condemned man "time to depart." When crime continues to flourish, the two become suspicious that Balbinus has returned. 1995.

Holy Fire RC 46665
by Bruce Sterling
read by Suzanne Toren
3 cassettes
Being healthy, conservative, and self-sufficient at age ninety-four is no longer satisfying to Mia Ziemann after she talks to a dying former lover. She risks experimental twenty-first-century medical procedures that change her body to a twenty-year-old's, hoping also for love, creativity, and spontaneity. 1996.

Amerika RC 46668
by Franz Kafka
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
First written in German in 1927, this novel expresses the author's rejection of the capitalist system. Karl Rossmann, a young immigrant to America, is snubbed by his relatives, robbed by tramps, and ridiculed in his attempt to find work. Includes an introduction by E.L. Doctorow. 1938.

Power Play RC 46684
by Anne McCaffrey and
Elizabeth Ann Scarborough
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
As the planet Petaybee matures and begins to understand itself and the effect of outside stimuli, it learns to communicate with its inhabitants. But the outsiders who come to the planet still fail to realize Petaybee needs its natural resources for survival. And to make things worse, Yana Maddock is kidnapped when she travels off-planet for a meeting. Sequel to *Power Lines (RC 46683)*. 1995.

City of Sorcery RC 46707
by Marion Zimmer Bradley
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Just before her plane goes down over the Hellers, pilot Alexis Anders reports seeing a city near the Wall around the World. No one has previously survived the Hellers, but three days later Anders turns up at Guild-house, her memory gone, and talking like a child. Chief Terran operative Magdalen Lorne's assignment to find out what happened takes her on a quest to find an ancient, legendary city. 1984.

No Strange Fire RC 46710
by Ted Wojtasik
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
In the middle of the night, six Amish barns are set ablaze in Big Valley, Pennsylvania. When Jacob Hostetler's car is found abandoned nearby, he becomes the prime suspect. Jacob is an Amish youth who had a crisis of faith and moved away. His family believes him innocent, but no one can find Jacob to question him. For senior high and older readers. 1996.

American Dreams RC 46763
by John Jakes
read by David Hartley-Margolin
4 cassettes
Continues the Crown family saga begun in *Homeland (RC 37815)*. Paul, twenty-nine, a well-known photographer, travels the world making news documentaries, some of which get him in trouble with the British government. His cousin Carl satisfies a passion for cars and fly-

ing, becoming a daring aviator, and cousin Fritzi becomes an actress in Hollywood. Some strong language. Bestseller 1998.

Rainbow Six RC 46775
by Tom Clancy
read by Jim Zeiger
6 cassettes
John Clark, ex Navy SEAL, is off to London to head up the antiterrorist strike force, Rainbow Six, when his plane is hijacked. He and co-worker Ding Chavez quickly foil the attempt. In England, the two deal with bank robbers, hostage situations, a raid, and an environmentalist who thinks more of nature than humans. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 1998.

Hatteras Blue: A Tiller Galloway Thriller RC 46794
by David Poyer
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Tiller Galloway runs a salvage business off the coast of Cape Hatteras, North Carolina—where a U-boat went down in 1945. Richard Keyes, interested in the discovery of bodies from that boat, hires Galloway to help him do "historical research." But Galloway soon finds himself in dangerous waters. Prequel to *Bahamas Blue (RC 46795)*. Some violence and some strong language. 1989.

Bahamas Blue: A Tiller Galloway Thriller RC 46795
by David Poyer
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Hatteras Blue (RC 46794)*, Tiller Galloway and his partner Shad Aydlett now have a legitimate business and a new boat. And when a drug kingpin wants Tiller's help in salvaging cargo off a freighter in the Caribbean, he refuses. But he has to rethink his refusal when his business burns and his boat sinks. Some strong language and some violence. 1991.

Hard Bargain: A Cat Marsala Mystery RC 46811
by Barbara D'Amato
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Chicago journalist Cat Marsala gets a chance to help her friend, police chief Harold McCoo, solve a mystery. Someone in his office is leaking information about a case that is damaging McCoo's reputation. The situation takes a deadly turn when McCoo's secretary receives a letter bomb. Some strong language and some violence. 1997.

Murder in the Map Room: An Eleanor Roosevelt Mystery RC 46853
by Elliott Roosevelt
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
1943. Madame Chiang Kai-shek is at the White House for an official state visit. When Mrs. Roosevelt leaves the dinner table she is intercepted by Secret Service agent Robert Kirkwal, who informs her a murder has taken place in the Map Room. She quickly learns the victim is a spy and investigates his connection with Madame Chiang Kai-shek. 1998.

The Other Side of the Mirror RC 46854
by Marion Zimmer Bradley
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Anthology of five stories, three by Bradley and two others she selected by Darkover fans. Intended for readers "who want to know more about the private lives of favorite characters," includ-

ing Dyan Ardais, one of Bradley's few villains. 1987.

The Red Tent RC 46859
by Anita Diamant
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Dinah, the only daughter of Leah and Jacob in Genesis, departs from the biblical saga to recount her story and that of the women around her. The red tent is where women retreat for childbirth and young girls learn about adulthood. But Dinah is unprepared for her brothers' cruelty. Some violence and some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Strip Jack RC 46866
by Ian Rankin
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
When Detective Inspector John Rebus participates in a raid on an Edinburgh brothel, he is surprised to find a member of Parliament, Gregor Jack, among the guests. Because the press seems to have known about the raid, Rebus suspects a setup. Then Jack's wife is found murdered near their cottage in the Highlands. Some strong language. 1992.

Final Justice at Adobe Wells RC 46878
by Stephen Bly
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
Stuart Brannon heads to Mexico to claim cattle he is buying for his ranch from Senor Pacifica. Instead he faces a band of rustlers, headed by Captain Porter—a Confederate who refuses to accept that the war is over. It appears that Porter has stolen Senor Pacifica's cattle and killed him in the process. As Brannon fights to reclaim his cattle, he gets to know Senora Pacifica better. 1993.

Death by Accident: A Sheriff Dan Rhodes Mystery RC 46879
by Bill Crider
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
Sheriff Dan Rhodes is suspicious when two deaths occur within two weeks of each other in his rural Texas county. When a third victim appears, Rhodes is convinced there is a connection, especially since all the victims favored a certain honky-tonk joint. Some violence. 1998.

New Stories from the South: The Year's Best, 1994 RC 46880
edited by Shannon Ravenel
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
Sixteen short stories by southern writers. A couple in their forties are contemplating separation when their young daughter calls to announce her pregnancy and her forthcoming marriage to the sixty-three-year-old father in "Aren't You Happy For Me?" "My Other Life" tells of a young woman in the Peace Corps who introduces her African boyfriend to her parents when they come to visit. Some strong language. 1994.

The Pushcart Prize XXII: Best of the Small Presses, 1998 RC 46881
edited by Bill Henderson
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
An annual collection of short stories, essays, and poetry published in magazines and by small presses. In "Grounded," a mother joins her son, who is running away from home. In "Oxygen," a man recalls one summer he spent delivering oxygen tanks to dying people. Descriptions of sex and strong language. 1997.

Murdered, My Sweet RC 46886
by Joan Lowery Nixon
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Jenny's mother is the famous mystery writer, Madeline Jakes. Madeline and her fans believe she could solve real crimes too, but Jenny has her doubts. And when they are confronted with a double murder at an elderly cousin's reunion, it's Jenny who must solve the crime. For junior and senior high readers. 1997.

Patricia RC 46888
by Grace Livingston Hill
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Patricia Prentiss's mother usually gets what she wants, and the thing she wants most is for Patricia to marry Thornton Bellingham. But Patricia has never liked Thorny. Instead she is fond of John Worth, who always treats her kindly. Over the years Mrs. Prentiss continues to push Thorny on Patricia, and it looks as if she is succeeding when John returns after a long absence. 1939.

Trader RC 46892
by Charles De Lint
read by Brian Conn
3 cassettes
Max Trader, an introverted artisan, wakes up one morning and finds himself in another man's body, that of the wastrel Johnny Devlin. While Max ponders how to reclaim his life, he encounters people and situations that cause him to reevaluate the meaning of living. Some strong language and some violence. 1997.

Finity's End RC 46893
by C.J. Cherryh
read by Gary Tipton
4 cassettes
Fletcher Neihart has his life all planned. He will study the hisa who live Downbelow on planet Pell. Maybe even have a romance with Bianca. Joining the crew of the merchanter ship Finity's End with a mission in space is definitely not in his plan. But he does not have much choice. 1997.

New Stories from the South: The Year's Best, 1996 RC 46898
edited by Shannon Ravenel
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
In this anthology of southern writers, the most prominent story is by William Faulkner, which went unpublished until 1995. "Rose of Lebanon" features a Confederate widow who, after sixty-five years, returns to Memphis and finally recounts what she told the Yankee marauders. Some strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1996.

Rogue Warrior: Seal Force Alpha RC 46901
by Richard Marcinko and John Weisman
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Sequel to *Rogue Warrior: Designation Gold (RC 45611)*. Rogue Warrior is airdropped to interdict a Chinese ship aboard which he finds a cache of U.S. military equipment. The Rogue's band is dispatched to locate and neutralize traitors at the highest levels of American government. Strong language and violence. 1998.

A Shoot in Cleveland: A Milan Jacovich Mystery RC 46902
by Les Roberts
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Private investigator Milan Jacovich accepts a job keeping young, sexy movie star Darren Anderson out of trouble while filming in Cleveland. When the actor is later murdered, Jacovich probes the motives of Anderson's competitors, the mob, and the father of Anderson's teenage girlfriend. Some violence and some strong language. 1998.

The Coffin Dancer RC 46910
by Jeffery Deaver
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Paraplegic NYPD criminalist Lincoln Rhyme, last featured in *The Bone Collector (RC 47078)*, is asked to track down an elusive hired killer he has dealt with before. Called the Coffin Dancer, the man has killed one federal witness and must finish off two more this weekend. Strong language and some violence. 1998.

Two Guys from Verona: A Novel of Suburbia RC 46926
by James Kaplan
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Two forty-three-year-old friends from high school still live in their hometown of Verona, New Jersey. Joel, who has had a nervous breakdown, lives at home with his mother and works at a sub shop. Will is on his second marriage and runs his father's business. As the millennium approaches, both suffer reversals of fortune. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Pulse RC 46938
by Edna Buchanan
read by Faith Potts
2 cassettes
Frank Douglas, a successful Miami businessman, receives a heart transplant. After recovering from surgery, he begins to feel strange emotions and see phantoms. He then finds the donor's widow, Rory, and helps her financially and emotionally. Together they search for the truth about her husband's suspicious death. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

What Girls Learn RC 46944
by Karin Cook
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Sisters Tilden and Elizabeth are used to their beautiful, romantic mother, Frances, moving them around Atlanta. When the girls are eleven and twelve, however, Frances relocates the family to her fiance's Long Island home. The siblings, especially Tilden, have a hard time adjusting to life in a strange place. Then Frances is diagnosed with cancer. Some descriptions of sex. For senior high and older readers. 1997.

Winter Rage RC 46946
by John Legg
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
St. Louis, 1832. Colonel Melton hires Nathaniel Squire to lead an inexperienced group into the western mountains on a beaver trapping expedition. Squire lives up to his reputation as a seasoned trapper who knows how to deal with Indians and the other dangers of the winter wilderness. Violence,

some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1991.

The Jade Peony RC 46958
by Wayson Choy
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Story of a Chinese immigrant family living in Vancouver in the early 1940s told in the voices of the daughter and two younger sons. The matriarchal grandmother, Poh-Poh, tries to impart Chinese traditions and values to the grandchildren, who want to assimilate. Some strong language. Canadian Trillium Award Winner. 1995.

Mangrove Squeeze RC 46961
by Laurence Shames
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Aaron Katz has left the fast track in New York to help his senile father renovate a guest house in Key West. There he meets Suki Sperakis, a New Jersey girl gone native who suspects that the Russian mafia are hiding something behind their chain of t-shirt shops. With the help of some local eccentrics, Aaron and Suki find the evidence they need to bring in the cops. Some strong language. 1998.

Someone like You RC 46967
by Elaine Coffman
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
Susannah Dowell and Reed Garrett come from different backgrounds, and their first meeting in Texas in 1887 is not pleasant. When Reed is accused of stealing cattle, Susannah's aunt sees beyond his bad reputation and offers him a job on their ranch. Forced to be together, Susannah and Reed find that as two "lost souls," they take comfort from each other's company. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1997.

Three Brides, No Groom RC 46971
by Debbie Macomber
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
At their fifteen-year reunion, Gretchen Wise, Carol Furness, and Maddie Cobain meet at the famous fountain at Nelson Lord University in Seattle. They quickly discover that each was dumped by the man she had planned to marry after graduation. Some interesting insights are revealed as each explains what happened and how she got revenge. 1997.

Blood Red Roses RC 46974
by Margaret Lawrence
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Maine, 1786. In this sequel to *Hearts and Bones (RC 43725)*, midwife Hannah Trevor's young daughter, Jennet, is being forcibly taken from her to become an indentured servant. Political rebellion is brewing, and violence is spreading when a family found murdered in the woods is identified as Hannah's Tory husband and dependents. Hannah soon becomes the primary suspect. Some violence. 1997.

Welcome to the World, Baby Girl! RC 47006
by Fannie Flagg
read by Anne Hancock
3 cassettes
New York TV anchor Dena Nordstrom's career is flourishing, but her private life is not. Then her high-stress job—combined with too many nights out on the town—takes its toll, and Dena goes back to her hometown to

recuperate. Pondering her past and wondering about her future, she finds unexpected pleasures in the small Missouri town. Bestseller 1998.

Just This Once RC 47013
by Jill Gregory
read by Lindsay Ellison
2 cassettes
Abilene, Kansas. Josie Cooper picks the pockets of the well-off so she can go to England to find the woman who left her at an orphanage. A pearl and opal brooch is her only clue. She does not suspect that her mark, Englishman Ethan Savage, needs a wife to meet the conditions of his father's will. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1997.

The Promise of Jenny Jones RC 47015
by Maggie Osborne
read by Anne Hancock
2 cassettes
Ornery but honest mule driver Jenny Jones faces a Mexican firing squad because she admits to killing her attacker. A mysterious dying woman offers to take Jenny's place if she will take the woman's young daughter to her estranged gringo husband in California and fight off the greedy Mexican relatives who want the girl dead. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1997.

Eminence RC 47017
by Morris West
read by Jeremy Gage
2 cassettes
Cardinal Luca Rossini is a man with many personal and religious misgivings. As a young priest, he was tortured by the military in Argentina and rescued by beautiful Isabel Ortega, who is raising their child. Now the pope, his patron and protector, is dying and Rossini is losing his faith as well as his power. Unexpectedly, however, the pope's private diaries are stolen and published. 1998.

Red, White, and Blue RC 47040
by Susan Isaacs
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
At the turn of the century, two immigrants new to America marry and start a family. Generations later, two of their great-great-grandchildren—FBI agent Charlie and journalist Lauren—meet and fall in love while investigating a hate bombing in Wyoming. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1998.

Arrow of the Almighty: The Liberty Bell, Book 4 RC 47074
by Gilbert Morris
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Micah and Dake Bradford, twin sons of Daniel Bradford, are dispatchers for George Washington. While delivering messages to Boston, Micah meets Sarah Dennison, a young woman promised to an older man. Micah quickly realizes Sarah has no desire to marry her betrothed, and he tries to convince her to go against her parents' wishes. Sequel to *Tread upon the Lion (RC 45139)*. 1997.

The Bone Collector RC 47078
by Jeffery Deaver
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Retired forensic scientist and criminologist Lincoln Rhyme is enlisted to track down a serial murderer who is stalking victims in New York City. Injured on the job and now a quadriplegic, Rhyme can move one finger—en-

abling him to use his computer. Assisted by policewoman Amelia Sachs, Rhyme races against time to find the killer. Includes a glossary of forensic terms. Violence and strong language. 1997.

The Grace in Older Women RC 47080
by Jonathan Gash
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
Lovejoy, investigating the murder of his friend Tryer, finds himself in charge of a fund-raiser, selling phony knighthoods and Olympic medals. He decides to hold an illegal antique auction in an effort to flush out the killer. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Path of Daggers: The Wheel of Time, Book 8 RC 47082
by Robert Jordan
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Rand al'Thor, the Dragon Reborn, is gathering forces to conquer the Seanchan, who have captured Ebou Dar. Meanwhile Elayne, Nynaeve, and Aviendha are on their way to Caemlyn where Elayne plans to reclaim her throne. They learn there is an even greater force to contend with than the Seanchan. Sequel to *Crown of Swords (RC 43043)*. Some violence. Bestseller 1998.

The King's Commission: An Alan Lewrie Naval Adventure RC 47087
by Dewey Lambdin
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
Alan Lewrie proves himself in battle against the French in the Caribbean. Promoted to lieutenant and commissioned to be the first officer on the *Shrike*, the rogue British sailor settles into a promising career at sea. His romantic exploits on land are another matter. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1991.

Son of an Arizona Legend RC 47089
by Stephen Bly
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes
On his fortieth birthday, Stuart Brannon is surprised when a young Indian shows up claiming to be his son. Brannon decides not to tell the youth that his real father is an outlaw until he can talk to the boy's mother. But she's ill in a Navajo camp. Brannon and her son set out to bring her back to the ranch. Then Brannon ends up behind bars. 1993.

The Archivist RC 47091
by Martha Cooley
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
Graduate student Roberta Spire asks middle-aged university librarian Matt Lane for access to sequestered letters of T.S. Eliot. Discussing Eliot reminds Matt of his deceased wife, whose mental illness paralleled that of Eliot's wife. And Roberta reminds Matt of his wife, too—each was unaware of her Jewish heritage as a child. Some strong language. 1998.

Tailchaser's Song RC 47092
by Tad Williams
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
Young Fritti Tailchaser, an apricot-orange cat, enjoys the company of Hushpad, an attractive female. When Hushpad suddenly disappears, Tailchaser sets out on a long journey, facing unexpect-

ed dangers in order to find her. For junior and senior high readers. 1985.

Prisoner of Time RC 47098
by Caroline B. Cooney
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Out of Time (RC 46221)*, sixteen-year-old Devonny Stratton is being forced to marry a titled Englishman in the nineteenth century. She escapes this fate by time-travelling to the 1990s. Reluctantly assisting her is the brother of the twentieth-century girl who helped Devonny's brother, Strat, in the prequel. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Quarantine RC 47101
by Jim Crace
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
An account of Jesus' forty days in the wilderness and people in the Judean desert who meet the strange Galilean on his quest. A trader and his pregnant wife are stranded near the caves where four pilgrims and Jesus arrive to make a retreat. Each of them is affected by Jesus' presence. Some descriptions of sex. Whitbread Novel of the Year 1997. 1997.

Destiny's Road RC 47102
by Larry Niven
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
On the isolated colony planet Destiny, young Jemmy Bloocher wonders what lies down the mysterious road from which no one has ever returned. He gets some answers when he kills a caravan merchant and has to flee for his life. As he travels along the road, he learns about other humans on the planet and begins to unravel the two-hundred-year-old mystery of their arrival on Destiny. Some descriptions of sex. 1997.

What Child Is This? A Christmas Story RC 47105
by Caroline B. Cooney
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Sixteen-year-old Matt and eight-year-old Katie have both had enough of foster homes. Matt, however, dreads facing Katie's disappointment when her Christmas wish of being adopted doesn't come true. Meanwhile his classmate Liz, who appears to have the perfect family, is dismayed by her parents' hypocrisy during the holidays. For junior and senior high readers. 1997.

***Zebra* and Other Stories RC 47106**
by Chaim Potok
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Six short stories titled for the teenager portrayed. In "Zebra"—a nickname—a seriously injured boy meets a one-armed artist who teaches him more than art. In "Nava," a girl realizes that just saying no to a student drug dealer is not the end of the problem. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Bech at Bay: A Quasi-Novel RC 47107
by John Updike
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Five humorous episodes in the life of Henry Bech, the semi-obscure American author created by Updike. In the last story, Bech is awarded the Nobel Prize for literature in 1999, but must contend with the subsequent literary protest. Sequel to *Bech Is Back (RC 18671)*. Some strong language. 1998.

Brave New World RC 47108
by Aldous Huxley
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A satire set in a future technocratic society in which people are rigidly classified by the state and kept happy by a government-administered drug. When two bureaucrats, Lenina and Bernard, travel to a "savage" reservation, they "rescue" a woman and her adult son, abandoned long ago, and return them to civilization. For senior high and older readers. 1946.

Reliquary RC 47111
by Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
Curator Margo Green and Dr. Whitney Frock are again called upon to investigate suspicious deaths. Homeless people living in the tunnels under Manhattan as well as more affluent citizens are being murdered, their skulls missing. Fearing that the killer is another museum beast they encountered in *Relic (RC 42361)*, they are joined by the police and FBI. Some strong language and some violence. 1997.

Election RC 47114
by Tom Perrotta
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Faculty advisor Jim McAllister is having personal problems when he gets seriously, but humorously, involved in a New Jersey suburban high school election. Tracy, an ambitious overachiever with no real friends; Paul, a popular and intelligent jock; and Tammy, Paul's unhappy younger sister, run for student body president. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Aliens of Affection RC 47120
by Padgett Powell
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Nine short stories set in the south, featuring characters caught in a struggle. In "Trick or Treat," a bored housewife begins to seduce the boy who cares for the yard. In "Dump," a man laments the loss of his wife and child. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Mercy of a Rude Stream, Volume 4: Requiem for Harlem RC 47122
by Henry Roth
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
In the final volume in this series following *From Bondage (RC 45336)*, Ira Stigman's alienation from his immigrant Jewish family continues. Eventually Ira extricates himself from their suffocating tenement and moves in with his professor, Edith. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Higher Education: A Jupiter Novel RC 47133
by Charles Sheffield and Jerry Pournelle
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Rick Luban is expelled from school at age sixteen for playing a practical joke. With a bad home life and limited options, Rick accepts his teacher's advice and applies for a job with a company mining asteroids in outer space. The training program changes more than his attitude. For senior high and older readers. 1996.

Jacob's Ladder: A Story of Virginia during the War RC 47138
by Donald McCaig
read by Bob Askey
4 cassettes
From a mountain plantation in western Virginia, the Gatewood family and their slaves are entangled in the Civil War. Although both the owner's son, Duncan, and a slave, Jesse, fall in love with the educated house slave Midge, they are all separated before the war and are destined to different fates. Some violence. 1998.

California Sketches RC 47144
by Mark Twain and Bret Harte
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Forty-six essays by Mark Twain and Bret Harte, written early in their careers for a San Francisco literary publication, the *Californian*. Includes a short story, "The Jumping Frog of Calaveras County," by Twain; recalls a visit to the public library in "Among the Books," by Harte. Also describes life in California after the Gold Rush and during the Civil War. 1926.

The Billion Dollar Boy: A Jupiter Novel RC 47145
by Charles Sheffield
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Bored and spoiled fifteen-year-old Shelby Cheever leaves his pampered existence on Earth for the disciplined rigors of survival in outer space. Shelby takes a cruise trip to the asteroid mines. But when he accidentally boards a ship to open space, his real adventures begin. For senior high and older readers. 1997.

One Thousand White Women: The Journals of May Dodd RC 47157
by Jim Fergus
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
1875. At the suggestion of the Cheyenne, the United States government secretly trades one thousand women to the Native Americans in order to achieve peace through intermarriage. One woman, May Dodd, marries a chief and keeps a journal of her life until she is killed in an army raid. Violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Confess-o-rama RC 47163
by Ron Koertge
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Fifteen-year-old Tony Candelaria is the new kid in school after his mother is widowed for the fourth time. He becomes involved with a group of nonconformists, including radical artist Jordan. Then Tony begins calling a hot-line to discuss his problems. Things seem to improve until he learns who is on the other end of the phone line. For senior high and older readers. 1996.

Rendezvous: A Barnaby Skye Novel RC 47168
by Richard S. Wheeler
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
1826, Fort Vancouver. Barnaby Skye, an impressed seaman for seven years, escapes from a brutal British warship. Slipping into the frigid water, Skye hides in the vast woods where he endures rain, hunger, and fear. Encountering natives and mountain men, he learns to survive and finds love with a girl he calls Victoria. Some strong lan-

guage, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1997.

The Vow RC 47176
by Linda Lael Miller
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Nevada, 1878. Annabel McKeige returns to her husband's ranch to ask for a divorce. She had fled after the death of their beloved daughter twelve years ago. Now reunited with her husband and son, she has no intention of staying. Gabe McKeige, however, is still deeply in love with Annabel and begins to woo her again. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

The Thief RC 47183
by Megan Whalen Turner
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
Gen, who boasts he can steal anything, is in the king's prison. He is offered a chance of freedom by joining the king's scholar in trying to recover the legendary Hamiathes's Gift Stone. Gen accepts the offer but endures many psychological and physical dangers. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. Newbery Honor Book 1997. 1996.

American Goliath: Inspired by the True, Incredible Events Surrounding the Mysterious Marvel Known to an Astonished World as the Cardiff Giant RC 47191
by Harvey Jacobs
read by Rick Foucheux
3 cassettes
1868. After listening to a sermon, George Hull conceives a hoax. He commissions the sculpting of a giant and has it moved to upstate New York. Thousands pay to view the "recently discovered marvel." Not to be outdone, P.T. Barnum exhibits a giant of his own. Descriptions of sex. 1997.

The Love of Friends RC 47200
by Nancy Bond
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Sixteen-year-old Charlotte Paige is excited about flying to London to visit eighteen-year-old Oliver Shattuck. When she arrives, Oliver tells her they are going to Scotland to see a friend of his late great-uncle. Along the way they encounter another American, Ariadne, who is pregnant. For senior high and older readers. 1997.

Just Once RC 47204
by Jill Marie Landis
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
All Bostonian Jemma O'Hurley has ever wanted is her father's love, and perhaps marrying the man he has picked for her will help. But when she travels to New Orleans to meet her intended groom, she learns he is dead. Attempting to flee, she meets Hunter Boone and convinces him to help her. Soon she is involved in the adventure of her life. Some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Tanner on Ice: An Evan Tanner Novel RC 47205
by Lawrence Block
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
After being frozen for nearly twenty-five years through cryonics, Evan Tanner wakes up in 1997 at age sixty-four. But he still looks and feels thirty-nine! Back at work, his first assignment is to destabilize the country of Myanmar by assassinating a popular figure. But Tanner cannot bring himself to murder any-

one, especially a woman. Some strong language. 1998.

Kaaterskill Falls RC 47206
by Allegra Goodman
read by David Elias
2 cassettes
1970s. An ultra-Orthodox Jewish congregation led by Rabbi Kirshner summers each year in the Catskills. Area residents resent the summer people developing the wilds. There is also discord in the Kirshner household as the elderly rabbi decides which of his sons will be his successor. Other members of the synagogue struggle with maintaining their traditions in a secular world. 1998.

Edge RC 47207
by Michael Cadnum
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
Zach Madison is a high school dropout. His parents' divorce and his best friend's move to Seattle cause an anger in Zach that he can't control. After his father is paralyzed by a shooting, Zach rushes to his side. When the shooter later gets off, Zach heads home to get his gun. Some violence. For senior high and older readers. 1997.

Soho Square RC 47210
by Claire Rayner
read by Vanessa Maroney
3 cassettes
Sequel to *Paddington Green (RD 9553)*. Jonah, son of Abel Lackland, worries about losing the supper rooms he and his deceased wife owned to his sister-in-law, Lydia. Lilith, Lydia's mother, tries to live quietly behind the veil that hides her badly scarred face—and worries about Lydia's return. Meanwhile, Abel oversees his grandson's study of medicine. 1976.

Felix in the Underworld RC 47217
by John Mortimer
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
During a book tour, author Felix Morsom is sued for child support for a ten-year-old boy. When the mother's companion is murdered, Felix becomes the main suspect. Fleeing to hide among London's homeless, he must come to terms with his moral and legal dilemmas. Some strong language and some violence. 1997.

Preston Falls RC 47219
by David Gates
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Doug and Jean Willis have good jobs, two kids, and two mortgages. Doug, restless and fearing insanity, decides to take a two-month hiatus in the country. But he becomes more edgy and erratic and, eventually, finds himself entangled with drug dealers. Meanwhile Jean and the children struggle to adjust to life on their own. Strong language. 1998.

Finding Laura RC 47221
by Kay Hooper
read by Ilona Dulaski
3 cassettes
Ever since childhood, Laura Sutherland has had a fascination with mirrors—she is searching for something in their reflections, although she isn't sure what it is. After she finds the right mirror at the Kilbourne family estate sale in Atlanta, she becomes a pawn in a struggle between the family matriarch, Amelia, and grandson Daniel. Some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Crystal: Orphans, Volume 2 RC 47234
by V.C. Andrews
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Crystal Perry, fourteen, knows her real mother was manic-depressive and worries that she may also become afflicted. When she is adopted by Thelma and Karl Morris, Crystal looks forward to a happy life. But she has no idea how Thelma's addiction to soap operas will affect her. Sequel to *Butterfly (RC 47233)*. Bestseller 1998.

Raven: Orphans, Volume 4 RC 47236
by V.C. Andrews
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Raven, twelve, lives with her mother. When her mother is thrown in jail and then sent to a rehab center, Raven is forced to live with her Uncle Reuben and to suffer many forms of abuse. Sequel to *Brooke (RC 47235)*. Bestseller 1998.

Runaways: Orphans, Volume 5 RC 47237
by V.C. Andrews
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Each of four orphans thought she had found a home—until a tragic event in each family landed the girls at Lakewood House. But all is not well, and the girls, bonded as sisters, "borrow" the foster family's car to escape. Sequel to *Raven (RC 47236)*. Some strong language. Bestseller 1998.

Crown Duel: The Crown and Court Duet, Book 1 RC 47240
by Sherwood Smith
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
Siblings Count Branaric and Countess Meliara promise their dying father they will defend their country from the evil ruler Galdran and keep the covenant they have with the mysterious Hill Folk. But this means war, and the country is ill equipped for such an undertaking. Prequel to *Court Duel (RC 47241)*. For junior and senior high readers. 1997.

Jade Island RC 47248
by Elizabeth Lowell
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Kyle Donovan has no desire to risk his life again for the government. But Donovan International has been asked to investigate possible illegal jade trading by the Tang family of Hong Kong. Kyle is to keep an eye on Lianne Blakely, the illegitimate American daughter of Johnny Tang. Meeting her is easy, but he ends up becoming her bodyguard. Sequel to *Amber Beach (RC 45025)*. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Midwives RC 47250
by Chris Bohjalian
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
When complications arise during a home birth, an ice storm and downed telephone lines prevent midwife Sibyl from getting Charlotte to a hospital. Charlotte stops breathing and, desperate to save the baby, Sibyl performs a cesarean. But she is later arrested and tried for murder. Some strong language. Bestseller 1997.

Mirror Image RC 47254
by Danielle Steel
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Born in 1893 and now in their twenties, identical twins Olivia and Victoria Henderson are often confused with one an-

other. But reliable Olivia has always rescued the adventurous Victoria from her escapades. Then Victoria gets herself into a scrape from which Olivia can't save her unless they trade identities. Bestseller 1998.

An Ocean in Iowa RC 47261
by Peter Hedges
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
Iowa, 1969. Scotty Ocean thought being seven years old was the best thing that ever happened to him. But later that year his alcoholic mother decides to leave the family. Scotty does everything he can to get her back, while he tries to decide whether to stay seven forever. 1998.

Blanche Cleans Up RC 47262
by Barbara Neely
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
When Blanche White reluctantly agrees to fill in as housekeeper for a vacationing friend, she encounters a family in chaos. Mr. Brindle's campaign for governor is disrupted by a murder and a suicide in his household. Some of his African American supporters are particularly scornful and suspicious of Blanche. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. 1998.

Daughter of Darkness RC 47263
by Steven Spruill
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Dr. Jenn Hrluska, a young intern dedicated to saving lives, fights her vampire heritage. When she finds a bleeding corpse in her apartment, Jenn suspects her father of tempting her. Jenn, in love with a human, longs only to be normal. Sequel to *Rulers of Darkness (RC 42109)*. Some violence. 1997.

The Body in the Fjord RC 47273
by Katherine Hall Page
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Pix Miller leaves her job with Faith Fairchild's catering company to travel to Norway with her mother, Ursula Rowe. The two want to investigate a friend's sudden disappearance. They join a mountain tour sponsored by the missing girl's former employer. While observing possible suspects, Pix uncovers a plot to smuggle Viking silver out of the country. Some violence. 1997.

Strega RC 47281
by Andrew Vachss
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
The unorthodox investigator Burke reluctantly accepts a case from a bossy redhead involving the retrieval of a pornographic photo of a little boy. Although Burke knows it will be a difficult assignment, he agrees to try because of an obligation to an old prison friend. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1987.

Watermelon RC 47300
by Marian Keyes
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
Claire left a well-paid job in Dublin, moved to London, became a waitress, fell in love, and married James. Now, as she gives birth to their first child, James announces he is leaving her. With a newborn baby and a post-maternity body, heartbroken Claire crawls back to her Ireland family home at twenty-nine. Some strong language. 1995.

I Sing the Body Electric! And Other Stories RC 47304
by Ray Bradbury
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
Short stories about subjects as diverse as progress, history, the future, robots, fairies, the supernatural, and physical fitness. 1976.

The Elusive Flame RC 47316
by Kathleen E. Woodiwiss
read by Gabriella Cavallero
4 cassettes
Cerynise Kendall, born in Charleston but raised in England, is suddenly orphaned and penniless. Hoping to return to Charleston, Cerynise heads for London's wharfs. She finds childhood friend Beau Birmingham, who offers to take her aboard his ship if she marries him. Sequel to *The Flame and the Flower (RC 11900)*. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1998.

Almost Home RC 47319
by T.M. McNally
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Arizona, 1978. After his father's suicide, Patrick McConnell, fifteen, moves out west with his family, hoping to start over. His mother and sister cope by using drugs and alcohol. Patrick and his classmate Elizabeth Pinski, who is struggling to accept her parents' divorce, try to leave their unhappy families behind. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

We Ride the Gale! RC 47328
by Emilie Loring
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Although his wealthy family knows that Guy Farr is a playboy, they are still surprised when Sonia Carson demands that they recognize her nephew Dicky's birthright. Her sister Ruby had secretly married Guy but died shortly after Dicky's birth. While seeking a secure future for Dicky, Sonia finds herself swept into a world of romance and intrigue. 1934.

Heat Lightning RC 47338
by Leah Hager Cohen
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Nine years ago, Mole, eleven, and her sister Tilly, twelve, lost their parents in a boating accident. Since then the close-knit sisters have lived with Aunt Hy, who has told them very little about their parents' death. But this summer, as a scientist couple and their children rent a lake cottage from Hy, the bond between Mole and Tilly begins to shatter. Some strong language. 1997.

Slow River RC 47340
by Nicola Griffith
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Lore, a young kidnap victim whose identity implant was removed, chooses to depend on a stranger rather than return to her wealthy home. She describes Spanner, the woman who becomes her lover and draws her into illegal activities, intermingled with flashbacks to her family and the ordeal that took her from them. Descriptions of sex. Nebula and Lambda Awards. 1995.

Ronicky Doone RC 47346
by Max Brand
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
Ronicky Doone helps a new friend, miner Bill Gregg, track Caroline Smith, a girl he wants to marry, to New York

City. Once there the two westerners discover that she and her friend, Ruth Tolliver, are employed by a ruthless gangster. Despite overwhelming odds, Doone tries to rescue them. 1921.

Chase the Moon RC 47350
by Dinah McCall
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
As young boys, twins Jake and John Baretta tried to chase the moon. Now John, an undercover government agent, is dead. Before he died, he whispered the phrase "chase the moon" to Jake. Is this a clue, or is John remembering their childhood game? Jake takes over John's role at a Christian compound in Kentucky, hoping to find an answer. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Rough Justice RC 47357
by Lisa Scottoline
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Attorney Marta Richter has argued persuasively on behalf of her client, Elliot Steere, who is charged with murdering a homeless man. But as they wait for the verdict, arrogant millionaire Steere lets it slip that it wasn't self-defense, after all. Knowing she is risking her life, Richter attempts to gather last-minute proof that Steere is guilty. Strong language and violence. 1997.

The Escape Artist RC 47359
by Diane Chamberlain
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
After Susanna put her husband through law school and became pregnant, he left her to marry another attorney. When the court awards custody of their now eleven-month-old son to her ex-husband, Susanna leaves her new love and flees with the child. Some strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1997.

The Judgment RC 47362
by William J. Coughlin
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Even though Charley Sloan has moved his law office out of Detroit, deputy police chief Mark Conroy asks Sloan for help defending against false charges of embezzlement. Sloan's girlfriend, policewoman Sue Gillis, is busy investigating a series of horrific child murders when Bishop Joe Solar asks Sloan to help a priest accused of child molestation. Strong language and violence. 1997.

I Married a Communist RC 47386
by Philip Roth
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
A retired teacher recalls his brother Ira Ringold's life. Ira is a famous New York radio performer who marries a silent screen actress, Eve Frame. In 1955 their marriage falls apart, mainly because of Eve's evil daughter. Eve then writes a book exposing Ira as a communist. Disaster besets the entire family and Ira seeks revenge. Some strong language. Bestseller 1998.

Tomcat in Love RC 47387
by Tim O'Brien
read by Randy Wieck
3 cassettes
Professor Tom Chippering had cheated on his ex-wife, Lorna Sue, but now he cannot imagine life without her. He becomes obsessed with the idea of revenge against Lorna Sue and her new husband, but Tom's efforts lead to a se-

ries of debacles. Some strong language. Bestseller 1998.

The Hundred Days: The Aubrey-Maturin Novels RC 47466
by Patrick O'Brian
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Napoleon, now converted to Islam, has escaped from Elba and is again building up his troops. He hopes to receive aid from the Muslims—if a gold shipment reaches them in time. Commodore Jack Aubrey and Dr. Stephen Maturin are called in to intercept the gold shipment and prevent a Napoleonic victory. Sequel to *The Yellow Admiral (RC 42910)*. Bestseller 1998.

The Reef RC 47497
by Nora Roberts
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
The Lassiters have been diving for buried treasure in the Caribbean for forty years; the Beaumonts are new to the game. Both are looking for Angelique's Curse—a beautiful necklace, said to bring harm to whoever finds it. Their joint search brings romance—and the shadow of danger. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Angels Flight RC 47526
by Michael Connelly
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Los Angeles detective Harry Bosch investigates the murder of Howard Elias, an African American attorney who specialized in suing the police department. Every city cop is a suspect, and civil unrest becomes a real concern. Meanwhile Bosch's marriage is unraveling. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

Tom Clancy's Power Plays: ruthless.com RC 47530
by Tom Clancy and Martin Greenberg
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Businessman Roger Gordian fights to protect his encryption technology from being sold to foreign markets. Facing a hostile takeover from his enemy, Marcus Caine, Gordian uncovers political corruption that threatens the country's security. Some strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1998.

Bar-Twenty Days RC 47556
by Clarence E. Mulford
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Hopalong Cassidy and his fellow cowpunchers on the Bar-Twenty ranch run into many adventures during the course of a season. After being shanghaied into forced labor at sea, Hopalong and his friends return to shore to fight Apaches, escape flash floods, and avenge the murder of a lawman. Some violence. 1993.

Amsterdam RC 47666
by Ian McEwan
read by David Cutler
1 cassette
The swift and cruel demise of a mutual former lover precipitates a euthanasia pact between two friends—Clive Linley, a composer, and Vernon Halliday, an editor. But the amicable agreement soon becomes a tool for murderous revenge. Some strong language. Booker Prize. 1998.

The Blessing RC 47668
by Jude Deveraux
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
When millionaire Jason Wilding returns to his hometown of Abernathy, Kentucky, he arranges under false pretenses to stay in Amy Thompkins's house. Before long he is surprised to realize that he loves Amy and her infant son, but she flees when she learns his true identity. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1998.

The Emperor's General RC 47837
by James Webb
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Ambassador Jay Marsh recounts serving as aide-de-camp to General Douglas MacArthur during the final days of World War II. Marsh recalls the roles MacArthur and Emperor Hirohito played and the trial of Japan's general Yamashita. He also reminisces about his mistress and that of MacArthur. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1999.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of Talking Book Topics were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Do Bees Sneeze? And Other Questions Kids Ask about Insects RC 46624
by James K. Wangberg
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
An entomologist answers 210 questions about insects asked by schoolchildren. The queries cover topics such as abundance and existence, body parts and functions, homes and habitats, food for insects and insects as food, and health and safety. Sections on supervised projects are included. For grades 4-7. 1997.

Mary Tyler Moore RC 46862
by Margaret L. Finn
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Describes the personal life and career of the actress best known for her sitcom roles in *The Dick Van Dyke Show* and *The Mary Tyler Moore Show.* Discusses Moore's 1964 diabetes diagnosis, her battle with alcoholism, and her endurance of tragic family deaths. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1997.

Martha Graham: A Dancer's Life RC 46873
by Russell Freedman
read by Sharon Murray
1 cassette
Biography of a modern dance pioneer who died in 1991 at ninety-six. Details

her career as dancer, choreographer, and teacher. Also describes her personal life, including her relationship with older musician Louis Horst and her marriage to much younger dancer Erick Hawkins. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1998.

Mario Lemieux: Ice Hockey Star RC 46875
by Jeff Z. Klein
read by Randy Davidson
1 cassette
Biography of hockey great Mario Lemieux, who was discovered to have Hodgkin's disease, cancer of the lymph nodes. One time, after undergoing a radiation treatment, Lemieux caught a plane to his team's game and played hockey that night. Includes a glossary of hockey terms and a chronology of Lemieux's career. For grades 5-8. 1995.

Ron Kovic: Antiwar Activist RC 46900
by Nathaniel Moss
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
A biography of the marine whose life was detailed in the 1989 movie, *Born on the Fourth of July*. Discusses his birth and enlistment as a high school graduate, the Vietnam War injury that left him paralyzed from the chest down, and his subsequent involvement in the antiwar movement. Also talks about the screenplay, which was written by Kovic and starred Tom Cruise. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Love and Marriage around the World RC 47028
by Carol Gelber
read by Dan Bloom
1 cassette
Examines marriage as a universally recognized institution, usually with legal rights. Discusses the customs and practices of choosing a marriage partner and of performing wedding ceremonies in different societies around the world. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Kids Knitting RC 47268
by Melanie Falick
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Basic step-by-step instructions for the beginning knitter. Covers procedures and recommends materials and needle sizes. Details twelve projects, ranging from bean bags, scarves, and patchwork afghans to purses, caps, tube socks, and a pullover sweater. Each activity introduces new skills. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Supergiants! The Biggest Dinosaurs RC 47276
by Don Lessem
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
Lessem explains that the "biggest" dinosaurs weighed the most. They were plant-eating dinosaurs—the sauropods. He details how dinosaur bones have been discovered and what scientists have learned from them. He concludes with a description of the Argentinosaurus, officially named in 1993, which may prove to be the biggest dinosaur ever. For grades 3-6. 1997.

Sugar Was My Best Food: Diabetes and Me RC 47388
by Carol Antoinette Peacock and others
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Eleven-year-old Adair Gregory explains what life has been like during the two years since he was diagnosed with diabetes. He had to learn to test his blood, eat differently, give himself insulin shots, and field questions from curious

schoolmates. After a rough start, Adair's blood readings leveled out, and he began to feel healthy and proud of himself. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Earth: The Making of a Planet RC 47396
by Roy A. Gallant and Christopher J. Schuberth
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
Covers the formation of the universe beginning with the big bang theory. Discusses the Earth's features; its atmosphere, landforms, rocks and minerals, outer and inner cores, plate movement, weather, and oceans. Briefly treats Pathfinder's discoveries and Earth's future. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1998.

Cassettes Fiction

Jonah the Whale RC 46613
by Susan Shreve
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Because of his large size, eleven-year-old Jonah is nicknamed "the whale" at his new school. In order to make friends, Jonah tells everyone that he is a talk-show host and suddenly has to prove it. With great determination and resourcefulness, he succeeds. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Ruthie's Gift RC 46625
by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
Ruth Hawk, eight, falls right in the middle of her six brothers. In her one-room Indiana schoolhouse, she is the only girl in the third grade. She suddenly gets twin girlfriends when Hallie and Mallie move onto a nearby farm. They are also third graders. Then Ruthie gets pneumonia and World War I draws near. For grades 3-6. 1998.

The Beaded Moccasins: The Story of Mary Campbell RC 46666
by Lynda Durrant
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
On her twelfth birthday, wearing a new lace-trimmed dress, Mary is captured by Delaware Indians and forced to march west with them. She is chosen to replace the leader's dead granddaughter and becomes part of his family. Based on a historical incident in Pennsylvania in 1759. For grades 5-8. 1998.

The Bronze Cauldron: Myths and Legends of the World RC 46793
retold by Geraldine McCaughrean
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
A collection of twenty-seven folktales from ancient and modern cultures. The title story is a Welsh legend about the birth of a poet-child, Taliesin. Companion to *The Silver Treasure: Myths and Legends of the World (RC 46792)*. For grades 4-7. 1997.

Chestnut Ridge Acres RC 46800
by Carrie Bender
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Summerville Days (RC 46799)*, Amish Joe Petersheim and his new bride, Arie, begin married life on a farm near Summerville called Chestnut Ridge Acres. Joe's little sister Nancy and brother Steven help them through their first summer. For grades 4-7. 1997.

Horrible Harry and the Drop of Doom RC 46883
by Suzy Kline
read by John Polk
1 cassette
When second grade ends, Song Lee invites some classmates to an amusement park for a party. Harry is very excited until he learns about a new ride: a free-falling elevator called the Drop of Doom. Harry loves scary rides, but he has always been afraid of elevators. For grades 2-4. 1998.

The Foolish Men of Agra: And Other Tales of Mogul India RC 47010
retold by Rina Singh
read by Anne Hancock
1 cassette
Ten tales about Mogul emperor Akbar and his minister Birbal, whose wit and wisdom delight the emperor but make the other members of his court jealous. In each tale someone tries to make Birbal look foolish, yet he always gains greater favor with the emperor. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Raising Dragons RC 47032
by Jerdine Nolen
read by Lindsay Ellison
1 cassette
A young girl finds a huge egg near her family farm and is thrilled when a baby dragon breaks open the shell. She names him Hank and takes him home to raise, much to the dismay of her parents. For preschool-grade 2. 1998.

Keeping Secrets: The Orphan Train Adventures RC 47097
by Joan Lowery Nixon
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
1863. After escaping an attack by Confederate raiders in Lawrence, Kansas, Violet Hennessey finds a welcome temporary home with the Kelly family in St. Joseph, Missouri. Eleven-year-old Peg Kelly is intrigued by Violet but soon realizes that the stranger's timid behavior is all an act. For grades 5-8. 1995.

Alice in Lace RC 47113
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
In this prequel to *Outrageously Alice (RC 45568)* and sequel to *Alice the Brave (RC 44063)*, the new health teacher gives Alice and her friends some unusual assignments. Alice and Patrick are to portray a couple planning their wedding, Pamela is to portray a pregnant teen, and Elizabeth is to portray a person buying a car. For grades 6-9. 1996.

The Berenstain Bears and the Wheelchair Commando RC 47125
by Stan Berenstain and Jan Berenstain
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Harry McGill has started spending all of his time on the computer instead of playing wheelchair basketball with his friends. His parents hope that when they move to the country, Harry will make some new nondisabled pals. Brother and Sister try to become Harry's friends, but it isn't easy. Yet they are in for quite a surprise when Too-Tall starts bullying Harry. For grades 2-4. 1993.

Thank You, Mr. Falker RC 47130
by Patricia Polacco
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Fictionalized account of the artist-author's struggle to learn how to read as a child. Finally a fifth-grade teacher, Mr.

Falker, comes to her rescue and gives her special lessons. For grades 2-4. 1998.

Granville Jones: Commando RC 47171
by Natalie Honeycutt
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Granville Jones isn't happy. His parents have removed all the furniture from his room, are painting the walls blue, and are putting up new curtains with balloons on them—none of which goes with the camouflage suit he wears to make everyone think he is powerful instead of very short. But when Granville learns what is really going on, he has to make some changes. For grades 2-4. 1998.

Stranger at the Window RC 47172
by Vivien Alcock
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Staying with her aunt in London, Lesley, eleven, takes an immediate dislike to the three snooty youngsters living next door. And they appear to be hiding a child in their attic! The siblings grudgingly befriend Lesley when they need her help concealing the boy, an illegal immigrant they rescued at the airport. For grades 4-6. 1994.

The Transall Saga RC 47218
by Gary Paulsen
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
When thirteen-year-old Mark Harrison persuades his parents to allow him to camp alone for a week, he feels he is well prepared. The fourth night out, however, he falls into a strange tube of blue light and awakens in a world of red foliage. There he needs all his skills to survive the terrain and the hunter/warrior society he encounters. For grades 6-9. 1998.

The Serial Sneak Thief: A Felicity Snell Mystery RC 47220
by E.W. Hildick
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Felicity Snell used to be a private investigator, but now she's a children's librarian. She and the Junior Library Mystery Club are hosting a contest that involves finding clues in the library. But the club members have a real case to solve when a thief called Chameleon steals a valuable document. For grades 4-7. 1997.

The Horribly Haunted School RC 47226
by Margaret Mahy
read by Mimi Black
1 cassette
Monty's friend is a ghost named Lulu who haunts an old car on their property. Unbelieving, Monty's mother sends him to the Brinsley Codd School for Sensible Thought. But Monty soon realizes the school is haunted—by Brinsley Codd himself! For grades 3-6. 1997.

Mei Fuh: Memories from China RC 47269
by Edith Schaeffer
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Describes the activities of the young daughter of American teachers in China. Mei Fuh is born in the city of Wenchow in 1914. When she is almost six, her family moves to America and she leaves behind her Chinese lifestyle. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Jazmin's Notebook RC 47277
by Nikki Grimes
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Fourteen-year-old Jazmin has spent most of her life in foster homes. For the past year, she has lived with her older sister CeCe in a small apartment in Harlem. Jazmin refuses to let her past get her down. Instead she spends hours on the stoop of her building, dreaming about her college future and jotting down her observations. For grades 6-9. 1998.

Rope Burn RC 47285
by Jan Siebold
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Richard likes to write, but he always has trouble with homework assignments. Now he has to create a composition showing how a proverb illustrates something in his life. Richard easily writes nine stories about his parents' divorce and moving into a new neighborhood. For grades 4-7. 1998.

The Hatmaker's Sign: A Story by Benjamin Franklin RC 47286
retold by Candace Fleming
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Thomas Jefferson finishes writing the Declaration of Independence and thinks he has created a perfect document. But members of the Continental Congress have different ideas and start rewriting it. To make Jefferson feel better, Benjamin Franklin tells him a story about a hatmaker and a sign he wanted to put above his store. For grades 2-4. 1998.

P.S. Longer Letter Later RC 47287
by Paula Danziger and Ann M. Martin
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette
When outgoing, flashy seventh-grader Tara Starr moves away, she and her quiet best friend, Elizabeth, write to each other to stay in touch. The changing tone in the letters that make up this novel reveals the strain in their friendship created by the distance between them, family problems, and personal changes in their own lives. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Behind the Bedroom Wall RC 47298
by Laura E. Williams
read by Faith Potts
1 cassette
During the Holocaust, young German Korinna is proud to be a member of the Nazi youth group and agrees that those who help Jews should be punished. When she learns that her own parents are hiding a Jewish family behind her bedroom wall, Korinna is devastated. For grades 4-7. 1996.

Meet Calliope Day RC 47317
by Charles Haddad
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Calliope is the type of girl who wears plastic fangs while fantasizing about biting necks, collects Barbie heads to throw at trick-or-treaters, and stages a food fight to sneak out of the after-school program. When she becomes convinced that her grumpy old neighbor is a witch, Calliope decides she would be a perfect friend. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Starting School RC 47327
by Johanna Hurwitz
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Twins Marcus and Marius Cott aren't

happy about having to be in separate kindergarten classes. But their teachers soon realize how happy they are not to have both twins in their class. As each twin argues that he has the best teacher, the teachers argue about which twin is the worse one. And when the teachers decide to swap twins for a day, the twins also decide to swap teachers. For grades 2-4. 1998.

The Maze RC 47364
by Will Hobbs
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Fourteen and orphaned, Rick Walker is unfairly sent to a detention center. To avoid a threatened beating, he escapes and discovers a remote biologist's camp in Utah's Canyonland National Park. Soon Rick is helping monitor newly released condors, learning how to hang glide, and fighting to save himself and his new friend from some dangerous locals. For grades 6-9. 1998.

Today I Feel Silly and Other Moods That Make My Day RC 47495
by Jamie Lee Curtis
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
A child tells in rhyme about feeling different—silly, grumpy, angry, joyful, or confused—on different days. For preschool-grade 2. Bestseller 1998.

Spaceman RC 47537
by Jane Cutler
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Fifth grade is a nightmare for Gary. He is failing everything, and the other kids make fun of him. When he is transferred into a "special ed" class, Gary thinks things will be even worse. But his new classmates are friendly, his odd teacher is encouraging, and learning is much easier with the help of recorded books. For grades 4-7. 1997.

Staying Nine RC 47545
by Pam Conrad
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Heather really likes being nine years old, and she tells her mom not to throw her a birthday party because she has decided not to turn ten. To prove she isn't changing, Heather squeezes into the same clothes for her class photo that she wore last year. For grades 3-6. 1988.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Hijo de Hombre RC 46976
por Augusto Roa Bastos
leído por Maria Pino
3 cassettes
Novela histórica del famoso autor paraguayo en que se pinta el cuadro de la historia del Paraguay desde la dictatura de José Gaspar Rodríguez Francia del siglo diecinueve hasta el fin de la Guerra del Chaco en 1935. En estos cuentos, Roa Bastos evoca la existencia torturada del pueblo paraguayo que oscila entre un heroismo épico y una opresión cruel. (Historical novel by the Paraguayan author presents a series of

interwoven stories illustrating the history of Paraguay from the nineteenth-century dictatorship of José Gaspar Rodríguez Francia to the end of the Chaco War in 1935. Roa Bastos depicts the plight of the Paraguayan people who rise to great heroism in time of war only to fall back into a vicious cycle of misery and oppression.) 1960.

A Orillas del Río Piedra Me Senté y Lloré RC 46981

por Paulo Coelho
leído por Maria Pino
1 cassette

En Madrid, Pilar se encuentra con un amigo de su niñez y acaba por acompañarle en un viaje espiritual a las montañas Pirineos al norte de España. Al principio, Pilar es confundida por la conducta de su amigo, pero por fin descubre en él y en sí misma los profundos secretos del amor y de la espiritualidad que les transformarán la vida. Algunas descripciones de índole sexual. (In Madrid, Pilar meets a childhood friend and ends up accompanying him on a spiritual journey into the Pyrenees mountains of northern Spain. At first, perplexed by the behavior of her friend, she eventually discovers in him and in herself the profound secrets of love and spirituality that change their lives forever. Some descriptions of sex.) 1995.

El Alquimista: Una Fábula para Seguir Tus Sueños RC 46982

por Paulo Coelho
leído por Juan Ramirez
1 cassette

Santiago, un joven pastor de Andalucía, quiere conocer el mundo y sueña con un tesoro escondido en las pirámides egipcias. Vende sus ovejas y deja su hogar, viajando a Tánger, cruzando el desierto y llegando por fin a Egipto. En camino, conoce a varios guías espirituales, sobre todo al alquimista que le aconseja al muchacho que escuche lo que le dice el corazón. (Santiago, an Andalusian shepherd boy, longs to see the world and dreams about a treasure hidden in the Egyptian pyramids. He sells his flock and leaves his home in Spain, sails to Tangiers, crosses the desert, and eventually reaches Egypt. Along the way, he is led by a series of spiritual guides, especially the alchemist who advises him to follow his heart.) 1988.

Controle Su Diabetes RC 46983

por Charles Kilo y
Joseph R. Williamson
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Magazine of the Month Selections for 2000

Two NLS programs offer readers samplings of magazines not otherwise available through network libraries. Subscribers to Magazine of the Month and Young Adult Magazine of the Month receive a different audio magazine on cassette each month. For a free subscription to either program contact your local cooperating library.

Although the selections are subject to change, subscribers will receive some of the following magazines this year.

Magazine of the Month

Alternative Medicine (Disease treatments, diet, health, spirituality, and book reviews)

American Legacy: Celebrating African-American History and Culture (African American history, art, literature, and health concerns)

Bonkers: A Magazine for Our Times (General interest, humor, pets, family relationships, and emotional health)

George: Not Just Politics as Usual (Liberal-leaning discussions of politics and popular culture)

American Spectator (Conservative-leaning investigative reporting on politics, media, and current events)

Saturday Evening Post (General topics, health, recipes, and human interest)

Hispanic (English-language; social issues, health, cultural activities, and profiles of prominent Hispanic individuals)

Book: The Magazine for the Reading Life (Articles on authors, book reviews)

Talk (Popular culture, politics, and history. "A close-up of our culture in motion")

Wood: The World's Leading Woodworking Magazine (Popular projects, other topics of interest to woodworkers)

The Economist (Financial perspectives on international news for the layperson)

Condé Nast Traveler: The Truth in Travel (Travel, shopping, fashion tips)

Alternates

Arthritis Today; Brill's Content; Entertainment; Reminisce; Sports Afield; Walking

Young Adult Magazine of the Month

Cosmo Girl (Life-style, fashion, and relationships)

Source: The Magazine of Hip-Hop Music, Culture and Politics (News, reviews, rap, hip-hop, art, literature, fashion, and artists)

Sierra (Magazine of an environmental organization that lobbies, educates, and sponsors outdoor activities)

Weird Tales (Horror and science fiction short stories)

The Sporting News (Sports coverage with detailed summaries and statistics)

Latina (Hispanic woman's magazine featuring health, fitness, relationships, and fashion; men and women in popular culture)

The World and I (International topics including current issues, arts, science, modern thought, and book reviews)

Biography (Articles on people in popular culture, book reviews)

Self (Health, fitness, and nutrition for women)

Circus: America's Rock Magazine (Popular culture for teenage readers focusing on hard rock)

Star Trek: The Magazine (Production of the television series, interviews with the actors, related topics)

Elle (Fashion, life-style, relationships, health, and beauty; celebrities, music, film, and literature)

Alternates

Mademoiselle; Marie Claire; Teen; Teen People; YM: Young and Modern

Student aid audio guide

An audio publication giving information on academic financial assistance for students interested in postsecondary study is now available from network libraries. For a cassette copy of the publication contact your cooperating library. For a copy in compact-disc format or other information write: Student Aid Audio Guide, Federal Student Aid Information Center, P.O. Box 84, Washington, D.C. 20044-0084.

Newsstand

The following announcements may be of interest to readers. The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped reserves the right to publish announcements selectively, as space permits. Items mentioned, however, are not part of the NLS program, and their listing does not imply endorsement.

Audio recordings from the Smithsonian

The Smithsonian Institution now comes to you on audio cassette. The institution's accessibility program is working with all of the Smithsonian's museums and the National Zoo to record and distribute the organization's brochures, calendars, newsletters, and educational materials. For information on the nearly 100 tapes currently available or to request taping of a particular publication, call:

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New publication on adaptive technology

AFB Press is offering subscribers a new resource for obtaining information about adaptive technology and visual impairment. *AccessWorld: Technology for Consumers with Visual Impairments* is produced six times a year in print, braille, and audiocassette formats. Each issue describes new products, techniques, books, videos, and tips on using adaptive technology. Subscriptions are available from:

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***Time* magazine in large print**

Time magazine has announced that the weekly publication is available in a large-print edition with format adapted to readers with impaired vision. Subscription price for the first two years, $79.99 per year. For information call 1-800-881-2137.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

Tom: The Unknown Tennessee Williams
RC 44747
by Lyle Leverich
read by Conrad Feininger
6 cassettes
A portrait of American playwright Tennessee Williams. Traces his life from a childhood marred by his parents' marital traumas and his beloved sister's mental illness to his early writing successes and later battles with his "blue devils"—addictive behaviors, fear of madness, and homosexuality. 1995.

Furthering My Education: A Memoir
RC 44793
by William Corbett
read by Jeff Halberstadt
2 cassettes
Thirty years after his physician-father deserted his wife and two grown sons, the author reconstructs events before and since that fateful day in 1965. He searches for the causes of his father's estrangement, examines family relationships, and recounts the emotional aftermath. Strong language. 1997.

The Merry Heart: Reflections on Reading, Writing, and the World of Books
RC 45506
by Robertson Davies
read by Phil Regensdorf
3 cassettes
A collection of essays, speeches, and miscellanea from the Canadian novelist and playwright Robertson Davies. In "Canadian Author," an acceptance speech for an award presented in New York, Davies remarks on the differences between Canadian and "American" writers. In "A Chapter of Autobiography," he describes his early education in Ontario. 1996.

Colleen Dewhurst: Her Autobiography
RC 45509
by Colleen Dewhurst
read by Celeste Lawson
4 cassettes
Based on a series of informal interviews with Tom Viola, Dewhurst's recollections of her childhood, her love of the theater, and her professional life. The actress died before completing the manuscript, so Viola talked to friends and colleagues to fill in the gaps. Some strong language. 1997.

Daniel Webster: The Man and His Time RC 46184
by Robert V. Remini
read by Ted Stoddard
8 cassettes in 2 containers
A portrait of the legendary political figure and orator who lived from 1782 to 1852 and helped form the young American republic. Traces his New England youth, his career as a member of Congress and secretary of state, and his failed bids for the presidency. Depicts a gifted man who was also subject to arrogance and moral lapses. 1997.

One Hell of a Gamble: Khrushchev, Castro, and Kennedy, 1958–1964 RC 46210
by Aleksandr Fursenko and Timothy Naftali
read by Peg Gill
4 cassettes
Chronicles the 1962 Cuban missile crisis, when the world's two superpowers came to the brink of nuclear war. Using Russian archives opened in the 1990s, this account traces and analyzes events surrounding a confrontation that was, in the authors' view, the most serious of the Cold War. 1997.

The Undertaking: Life Studies from the Dismal Trade RC 46348
by Thomas Lynch
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes
Twelve essays on death and grief and their effect on the living with the insight of a poet who is also a funeral director. In "Words Made Flesh," Lynch recounts the dissolution of a poet's second marriage—the death of love—and the role of a poem in the birth of new love. In "The Golfatorium," he contemplates combining a cemetery with a golf course. 1997.

Napoleon Bonaparte RC 46389
by Alan Schom
read by Ted Stoddard
8 cassettes in 2 containers
A critical portrait of the legendary ruler of France, whose empire controlled much of Europe. Covers "all aspects of his life," tracing his obscure Corsican youth, his rise to power, his military campaigns, his defeat at Waterloo, and his death in exile in 1821. Violence. 1997.

Milton Berle's Private Joke File: Over Ten Thousand of His Best Gags, Anecdotes, and One-Liners RC 46571
by Milton Berle
read by Jack Fox
6 cassettes
The thousands of jokes from Berle's sixty years in vaudeville, radio, television, and the movies are arranged alphabetically by more than five hundred subjects. Includes an introduction and a "tricks of the trade" advice section. 1989.

All the Way to Heaven: An American Boyhood in the Himalayas RC 46589
by Stephen Alter
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
Memoir of the son of Presbyterian missionaries, who grew up in northern India with periodic visits to the United States. His recollections of childhood in the 1960s and early 1970s provide scenes from Indian life and describe the difficulties of growing up in two cultures. Covers boyhood and school adventures, ending with his arrival at an American college. 1997.

And There Was Light: Autobiography of Jacques Lusseyran, Blind Hero of the French Resistance RC 46611
by Jacques Lusseyran
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Lusseyran describes his life up to the age of twenty. Blinded at seven, he was a teenager when the Nazis invaded France. After he joined the Resistance, his group was turned in by informers and imprisoned. He tells of surviving in a German concentration camp until the war's end. Includes an introduction by the editors. 1963.

Rasputin: The Saint Who Sinned RC 46655
by Brian Moynahan
read by Gordon Gould
4 cassettes
Portrays the life of the charismatic monk, bibulous lecher, and trusted adviser of Russia's imperial Romanov family. Sought out by the empress to aid her ailing son using spiritual powers, Rasputin rose to a position of official influence, with disastrous results. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1997.

Irish Rebel: John Devoy and America's Fight for Ireland's Freedom RC 46658
by Terry Golway
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Portrait of an exiled Irish nationalist who organized American support for the liberation of his native land. Traces his Dublin youth, his years as a Fenian activist before coming to America in 1871, and his relentless campaign abroad to advance the cause of a free Ireland. 1998.

The Kidnapping of Edgardo Mortara RC 46662
by David I. Kertzer
read by Frank Coffee
3 cassettes
An account of the 1858 abduction of a six-year-old Jewish boy in Bologna by Papal authorities. The boy had been secretly baptized by a servant girl, and church dogma dictated that he be raised as a Catholic. The author asserts that the resulting furor hastened the collapse of the Vatican's temporal power in Italy. Strong language. 1997.

The Universe and the Teacup: The Mathematics of Truth and Beauty RC 46769
by K.C. Cole
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Explores mathematics as a tool for understanding nature, solving problems, and discerning knowledge and truth. Delves into such uses as the statistical estimation of risk, the measurement of intelligence, and the application of numerical calculations in public policy decision making. 1998.

In Search of Islamic Feminism: One Woman's Global Journey RC 46841
by Elizabeth Warnock Fernea
read by Mary Woods
4 cassettes
An American professor of Middle Eastern studies presents the results of a two-year trip researching the status of women in Muslim societies. After conducting interviews in Uzbekistan, Morocco, Kuwait, Turkey, Egypt, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Israel, and Palestinian settlements, she finds that women's rights are interpreted differently in each region. 1998.

Epilepsy, 199 Answers: A Doctor Responds to His Patients' Questions RC 46942
by Andrew N. Wilner
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
A guide for helping people with epilepsy to understand and manage the disease. Discusses the nature of the disorder; its diagnosis, treatment, and effects; and the challenges that epilepsy presents to those afflicted. 1996.

Amazing Grace: A Life of Beauford Delaney RC 46953
by David Leeming
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Biography of the African American modernist painter who was born in 1901 in Knoxville, Tennessee, and died in Paris in 1979. Describes his family's religious background, his upbringing in the segregated South, and his later problems with alcoholism and mental illness. Traces his artistic career through Boston, New York, and Paris, where his friends included James Baldwin and Henry Miller. 1998.

Guerrero Viejo RC 46988
by Elena Poniatowska
read by Peter Gil
1 cassette
The well-known Mexican author and journalist presents her essay on Guerrero Viejo, the Mexican colonial town on the Rio Grande that was abandoned and destroyed as the result of a flood-control dam built in the 1950s. Poniatowska speaks of the land, architecture, heritage, and daily life of a historic and proud community sacrificed to twentieth-century progress. Bilingual book in English and Spanish. 1997.

No Time to Die RC 47011
by Liz Tilberis
read by Mary Ann Nichols
3 cassettes
Transplanted Briton Liz Tilberis, editor-in-chief of *Harper's Bazaar*, describes her battle with ovarian cancer since 1993, played out against the background of a star-studded career and her family life with husband Andrew and their adopted sons. Some strong language. 1998.

Friendships in the Dark: A Blind Woman's Story of the People and Pets Who Light Up Her World RC 47056
by Phyllis Campbell
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Totally blind since birth, the author tells of growing up on a small Virginia farm and going away to a residential school with her older sister (who is also blind) and becoming a church organist. She describes in loving detail the animals and other friends she meets along the way. 1996.

Martin Heidegger: Between Good and Evil RC 47094
by Rüdiger Safranski
read by Randy Wieck
4 cassettes
Portrait of a noted twentieth-century philosopher whose work helped inspire the existentialist movement. Traces his youth as a German Catholic seminarian, his service with the Nazi Party, and his later years pondering the question of human alienation in a modern technological world. 1998.

The Eye Book: A Complete Guide to Eye Disorders and Health RC 47103
by Gary H. Cassel and others
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Two ophthalmologists and an optometrist provide an "owner's manual for your eyes." They describe vision changes that occur over time and health problems that affect the ability to see. Topics include coping with low vision, eye trauma and emergencies, glaucoma, cataracts, and age-related macular degeneration. 1998.

Empire by Default: The Spanish-American War and the Dawn of the American Century RC 47112
by Ivan Musicant
read by Bruce Huntey
5 cassettes
A military and diplomatic account of the 1898 Spanish-American War, which established the United States as a global power and marked the beginning of "the American century," in the author's view. Chronicles events leading up to the conflict and describes land and sea battles of the war. 1998.

The Most Wonderful Books: Writers on Discovering the Pleasures of Reading RC 47143
edited by Michael Dorris and Emilie Buchwald
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
A collection of short essays by fifty-seven authors who reflect on favorite childhood books or the significance of reading. Sherman Alexie recalls that he learned to read with a Superman comic book. Confined to her house by polio, Bapsi Sidhwa discovered "an alternate existence" in books. Contains brief biographical notes on contributors. 1997.

Falling Leaves: The True Story of an Unwanted Chinese Daughter RC 47146
by Adeline Yen Mah
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
The author recalls her childhood in mainland China and Hong Kong. After enduring an abusive upbringing, Mah was able to escape to Great Britain at the age of fourteen to further her studies. Throughout her life, her family relationships continued to torment her. 1997.

Survival Stories: Memoirs of Crisis RC 47180
edited by Kathryn Rhett
read by Pam Ward
3 cassettes
Anthology of twenty-two pieces by American writers, each articulating a personal crisis. Selected from already published sources for their power to convey such emotional experiences as death, divorce, and suicidal depression. Authors include Jamaica Kincaid, Alan Shapiro, William Styron, and Isabel Allende. 1997.

The Internet for Dummies RC 47197
by John R. Levine and others
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
Describes what the Internet is and how to use it. Advises on choosing a service, children's use, and shopping online. Explains many aspects such as e-mail, web pages, and netiquette; defines terminology; and answers frequently asked questions. 1998.

With Chatwin: Portrait of a Writer
RC 47214
by Susannah Clapp
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
Bruce Chatwin's editor recounts her recollections of the nomadic connoisseur writer who died in 1989 at age forty-eight. She describes Chatwin's personal characteristics and his various endeavors as an art expert, an archaeologist, a journalist, and a world traveler. She interprets his books and offers insights into what it was like to work with him. 1997.

The Everglades: River of Grass
RC 47215
by Marjory Stoneman Douglas
read by MaryBeth Wise
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Fiftieth-anniversary edition of the 1947 history and folklore of a North American region that had been viewed as a swampy "wasteland." This volume includes two new chapters, describing efforts to restore and preserve this valuable source of wildlife and water. 1997.

Dear Mr. Jefferson: Letters from a Nantucket Gardener RC 47224
by Laura Simon
read by Anne Hancock
2 cassettes
Imagined letters between Simon and Thomas Jefferson discuss the gardening cycle from penciled plan to harvest. The author, who lives year-round on Nantucket, needed to communicate with someone who shared her love of horticulture. She chose Jefferson after becoming convinced that he was a genuinely inspired gardener. 1998.

The Americans: The National Experience
RC 47247
by Daniel J. Boorstin
read by Robert Sams
6 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Americans: The Colonial Experience (RC 47246)*, historian Boorstin covers American history from the Revolution to the Civil War. He discusses Americans' search for a better way of life, discovering themselves and their capabilities, and coming together to establish a better community. 1965.

Blind Man's Bluff: The Untold Story of American Submarine Espionage
RC 47258
by Sherry Sontag and others
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Accounts of the development of Cold War-era submarine spying on the Soviet Union by Americans. Tales about the people who made it happen, like the naval officer who figured out how to tap underwater communication cables. Includes new information on the mysterious sinking of the USS *Scorpion* in 1968. Bestseller 1998.

Louis Armstrong: An Extravagant Life
RC 47274
by Laurence Bergreen
read by Bob Moore
5 cassettes
A biography of the jazz trumpeter known as Satchmo who was born in 1901 in New Orleans. Portrays the city's influence on his character and musical development. Relates the details of his career with bands, personal relationships, and reaction to fame. Satchmo's story encompasses a history of jazz in

the United States until 1971, the year of his death. Some strong language. 1997.

101 Things You Don't Know about Science and No One Else Does Either RC 47284
by James Trefil
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
The author, an educator and National Public Radio commentator, presents short essays on scientific topics. He considers questions being researched in the 1990s such as: Is the climate getting warmer? Can humans live forever? What causes cancer? He then summarizes the progress that has been made. For senior high and older readers. 1996.

Memoirs RC 47294
by Georg Solti
read by Lewis Grenville
2 cassettes
Twentieth-century international conductor traces his musical training in Hungary and career as a pianist and music director. Born in 1912, Solti relates how he survived two world wars in Europe and advanced his musical life despite anti-Semitism. He discusses his interpretation of various composers and his twenty-two years with the Chicago Symphony. 1997.

Half and Half: Writers on Growing Up Biracial and Bicultural RC 47296
edited by Claudine Chiawei O'Hearn
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Eighteen writers recount their experiences growing up in two cultures. Garrett Hongo describes the boredom of living in a homogeneous suburb where his children's friends all have the same worldview. Roxane Farmanfarmaian recalls being "rootless"—half-Mormon and half-Muslim—in Europe. Includes brief author biographies. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

Confederates in the Attic: Dispatches from the Unfinished Civil War RC 47299
by Tony Horwitz
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
Reviving a childhood passion, journalist Tony Horwitz spends a week with a hardcore Civil War reenactor, traveling to battle sites in the south. Along the way, he learns why many people are still obsessed with the war and how views of the past are often divided along racial lines. Some strong language. 1998.

A March to Madness: The View from the Floor in the Atlantic Coast Conference RC 47302
by John Feinstein
read by Ted Stoddard
4 cassettes
Overview of the nine basketball coaches of the collegiate Atlantic Coast Conference in the late 1990s. Describes their work and their teams and the incredible pressure they endure while trying to achieve the championship title. 1998.

Richard S. Ewell: A Soldier's Life RC 47332
by Donald C. Pfanz
read by Bill Wallace
5 cassettes
Presents a detailed account of Ewell's life and a balanced view of the Confederate general's personality. Discusses his military training and expeditions, including his service in Mexico and the Civil War, and his postwar career as a stock farmer. 1998.

On Good Land: The Autobiography of an Urban Farm RC 47334
by Michael Ableman
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
The author describes the twelve-acre farm called Fairview Gardens, where he has worked for seventeen years. Once a farm among many, Fairview (now surrounded by California suburbia) is a national model for successful urban agriculture and farmland preservation. 1998.

No Mountain Too High: A Triumph over Breast Cancer; the Story of the Women of Expedition Inspiration RC 47349
by Andrea Gabbard
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Explains how breast cancer survivor Laura Evans's return to mountain climbing led to the formation of Expedition Inspiration, a venture for breast cancer survivors. Describes the excursion to Mount Aconcagua in Argentina and discusses the women participating on the two climbing teams and their experiences. 1998.

I'm Not Really Here RC 47356
by Tim Allen
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Known for his starring role in the sitcom *Home Improvement*, Allen humorously describes an unusual weekend. Alone while his wife and daughter have gone camping, he puzzles over "the big questions" brought on by his midlife crisis—while he searches for a missing hood ornament. Strong language. 1996.

A Calendar of Wisdom: Daily Thoughts to Nourish the Soul Written and Selected from the World's Sacred Texts by Leo Tolstoy RC 47390
by Leo Tolstoy
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
This last major work of Tolstoy's contains philosophical and spiritual writings he collected over fifteen years. Each day is arranged by a theme. Includes a name index with brief biographies. 1997.

Are You Old Enough to Read This Book? Reflections on Midlife RC 47392
edited by Deborah H. DeFord
read by Janis Gray
3 cassettes
Advice and reassurance for baby boomers reaching their fifth decade. Includes practical suggestions, medical information, and psychological tidbits in the form of essays and interviews. Introduction by Linda Ellerbee. Some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Banjo Eyes: Eddie Cantor and the Birth of Modern Stardom RC 47395
by Herbert G. Goldman
read by Bruce Huntey
4 cassettes
Born on Rosh Hashanah in 1892 and soon orphaned by his mother's death and father's disappearance, Cantor (born Israel Iskowitz) was raised by his grandmother. Goldman recounts Cantor's life from his days on the streets of New York's Lower East Side through his rise to fame, discussing his days in vaudeville and the movies, his family, and his charitable work. 1997.

Living with Spina Bifida: A Guide for Families and Professionals RC 47399
by Adrian Sandler
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
A physician explains the birth defect spina bifida and possible associated impairments, and offers advice on promoting good health and optimal development at every stage from childhood through young adulthood. 1997.

Foods That Fight Pain: Revolutionary New Strategies for Maximum Pain Relief RC 47400
by Neal Barnard
read by Randy Atcher
3 cassettes
Physician maintains that specific foods can help alleviate many types of pain while other foods can trigger pain. He outlines recommendations for using diet and supplements to treat such conditions as arthritis, carpal tunnel syndrome, migraines, stomachaches, and cancer pain. 1998.

Riddle of the Ice: A Scientific Adventure into the Arctic RC 47405
by Myron Arms
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Nautical adventure aboard a fifty-foot sailing cutter exploring the Arctic Ocean near Labrador. Perturbed by the large quantities of pack ice in the area in the summers of the early 1990s, the author investigates weather patterns and climate changes for explanations. 1998.

The Meadowlands: Wilderness Adventures at the Edge of a City RC 47407
by Robert Sullivan
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Just outside New York City, near Newark airport and the New Jersey Turnpike, is a swamp that has become a receptacle for trash in the region, as well as a refuge for wildlife. Describes the area called the Meadowlands, its history, the flora and fauna, and the people who have populated the area since Native American times. 1998.

Time Bomb 2000: What the Year 2000 Computer Crisis Means to You! RC 47409
by Edward and Jennifer Yourdon
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Discusses the computer software problem that will manifest itself on January 1, 2000, and its likely impact on banks, hospitals, utilities, governments, transportation systems, and more. Explains possible consequences of the resulting failures and suggests ways to prepare for shutdowns that could last from two days to ten years. 1998.

The Learning Highway: Smart Students and the Net RC 47413
by Trevor Owen and Ron Owston
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes
Emphasizes how high school and undergraduate students can use the Internet for learning. Covers how to express search needs online, the multiple functions of web-based browsers, research strategies on the web, and practical examples of Internet projects. Some

strong language. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

No More Hot Flashes—and Even More Good News RC 47417
by Penny Wise Budoff
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
Updates Dr. Budoff's 1984 book, *No More Hot Flashes, and Other Good News (RC 20041)*. Explains perimenopause, menopause, estrogen, and osteoporosis, as well as cancers that frequently affect women. Also discusses urinary functions, hysterectomies, vitamins, and alternatives to drugs and surgery. 1998.

Hepatitis C: The Silent Killer RC 47420
by Carol Turkington
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
Explains the symptoms, diagnosis, and treatment of Hepatitis C; the role of the liver in the body; and chronic conditions caused by acute cases of the disease. Includes relevant organizations, web sites, and newsletters. 1998.

God: The Evidence; the Reconciliation of Faith and Reason in a Postsecular World RC 47421
by Patrick Glynn
read by Randy Atcher
1 cassette
Chronicles a trend away from atheism and details the correlation between religious commitment, mental health, physical health, and morality. Examines scientific, medical, and psychological studies that corroborate the author's belief in the existence of soul and God. 1997.

In My Own Time: Almost an Autobiography RC 47422
by Nina Bawden
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Memoir of a novelist. Recounts her childhood evacuation from London in World War II; her years at Oxford, where she knew Richard Burton and Margaret Thatcher; and her later life. Relates stories of her family, including the struggles of her schizophrenic son, who committed suicide. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1994.

Facing and Fighting Fatigue: A Practical Approach RC 47423
by Benjamin H. Natelson
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
A physician who directs a chronic fatigue syndrome center discusses different levels of fatigue and possible causes. He then describes treatment options including drug therapy, gentle physical conditioning, and cognitive behavioral therapy. 1998.

Big Top Boss: John Ringling North and the Circus RC 47428
by David Lewis Hammarstrom
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes
Biography of the showman-entrepreneur who folded the tents and moved the circus indoors in 1956. Describes North's flamboyant career and his management style in the context of labor and social issues of the mid-twentieth century. Incorporates several decades of American circus history. 1992.

Emotional Resilience: Simple Truths for Dealing with the Unfinished Business of Your Past RC 47431
by David Viscott
read by Randy Atcher
3 cassettes
The author, a psychiatrist, offers a ten-step program that he contends will lead to emotional healing. Discusses mourning, defense mechanisms, personality types, and "toxic" nostalgia. 1996.

The Greatest Generation RC 47490
by Tom Brokaw
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
Recalling his coverage of the fortieth anniversary of D-Day in 1984, reporter Brokaw describes World War II veterans as "the greatest generation any society has produced." Profiles individuals who sacrificed for their country, including Thomas Broderick—who founded the Blinded Veterans Association—and businessman Bob Bush, who lost an eye in a heroic rescue mission. Bestseller 1998.

The Sense of Wonder RC 47494
by Rachel Carson
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
In this essay first published in 1956, Carson talks about sharing the wonders of nature with a child, as she did with her nephew, beginning before he was two years old. She explains how an adult can teach an appreciation of the beauty of the outdoors, even without a scientific understanding of plants and animals. 1956.

Work in Progress RC 47498
by Michael D. Eisner
read by Terence Aselford
3 cassettes
Eisner provides an account of how a Jewish boy from an affluent Manhattan family rose through the ranks to become Disney's CEO. Discusses his family life, his jobs at ABC and Paramount Pictures, the role he played in getting the position at Disney, and his part in expanding the company. Bestseller 1998.

***First Love* and Other Stories RC 47508**
by Ivan Turgenev
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
These three stories by the nineteenth-century Russian author are somewhat autobiographical. In "First Love," written in 1860, a father and son fall in love with the same woman. Written in 1872, "Spring Torrents" portrays a middle-aged person looking back on the folly of youth. "A Fire at Sea," written in 1883, tells of Turgenev's personal experience. 1957.

Our Man in Belize RC 47512
by Richard Timothy Conroy
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
Memoir of an American who served as vice-consul in Belize for two years in the early 1960s. He admits that his accounts of his experiences and the people he met there have "taken on a life of their own." But he does clearly remember the devastating hurricane of 1961. Some strong language. 1997.

The Lost Tomb RC 47513
by Kent R. Weeks
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
The personal account of an American

Egyptologist's discovery and excavation of the largest tomb in the Valley of the Kings. Weeks describes his 1995 entry into a multichambered burial site that some consider the most important archaeological find of the twentieth century. He discusses the new revelations about the sons of Ramesses II, stressing that there is more to be explored. 1998.

Diplomacy for the Next Century RC 47522
by Abba Eban
read by Rick Foucheux
2 cassettes
A former Israeli foreign minister reflects on the world of diplomacy, intrusive media, and highlights of the Cold War era. The author draws upon his vast experience to offer insights into the nature and practice of statecraft, as well as perspectives on international affairs in the 1990s. 1998.

The Endurance: Shackleton's Legendary Antarctic Expedition RC 47531
by Caroline Alexander
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Chronicles the survival of Ernest Shackleton and his crew of twenty-seven men marooned on ice floes off the coast of Antarctica in 1915. Recounts the entrapment and later destruction of their ship, the *Endurance*, by pack ice and the hardships the men suffered before their rescue in 1916. Bestseller 1998.

How to Eat Away Arthritis RC 47542
by Lauri M. Aesoph
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
The author offers traditional and alternative ways to ease the pain of arthritis. She lists restorative and "stressor" foods and provides hints for better health, citing anecdotes of numerous sufferers who have improved their ability to cope with the condition. 1996.

Walking with the Wind: A Memoir of the Movement RC 47543
by John Lewis
read by Jake Williams
5 cassettes
African American congressman discusses the civil rights movement of the 1960s, its struggles, triumphs, leadership, and champions. Lewis, an advocate of nonviolence, acknowledges his devotion to Martin Luther King Jr. and credits the success of the movement to the thousands of working-class blacks who risked their lives confronting southern tyranny. 1998.

Under a Wing: A Memoir RC 47547
by Reeve Lindbergh
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
Charles Lindbergh's youngest daughter shares memories of her father and her mother, Anne Morrow Lindbergh. She tells about their strengths and weaknesses as parents and about family occasions with her four older siblings. These reminiscences afford glimpses of the private people behind the celebrity images. 1998.

The Breast Cancer Survival Manual: A Step-by-Step Guide for the Woman with Newly Diagnosed Breast Cancer RC 47548
by John Link
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
An oncologist advises women on how to obtain the data they need in order to make an informed choice regarding treatment that is right for them. Examines quality-of-life issues, available

drugs and operations, lifestyle choices, and genetic risks. Explains how to work the medical system and essential record-keeping. Gives specific questions to ask the physician of choice. 1998.

Dr. Ana Nogales' Book of Love, Sex, and Relationships: A Guide for Latino Couples RC 47551

by Ana Nogales
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes

A popular TV psychologist and newspaper columnist presents case studies to illustrate the common problems that couples from diverse ethnic backgrounds face. Nogales discusses the conflicts that affect Latino-Anglo relationships including attitudes towards family, gender roles, machismo, and other issues that arise from cultural differences. Some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Thomas Merton: Poet, Prophet, Priest RC 47557

by Jennifer Fisher Bryant
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette

Portrait of a troubled youth's spiritual journey from a life of dissolute pleasure to the ascetic seclusion of a Trappist monastery. Describes his difficult childhood, his conversion to Catholicism, his monastic life, and his years as a writer and social activist. For junior and senior high readers. 1997.

He's Scared, She's Scared: Understanding the Hidden Fears That Sabotage Your Relationships RC 47559

by Steven Carter and Julia Sokol
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes

Explores issues and anxieties about individual commitment that prevent people from finding or keeping the love they need. Examines why people may be afraid of a serious ongoing relationship, differentiates between male and female fears, and suggests ways to resolve conflicts. Uses case studies to illustrate problems and solutions. 1993.

Real Boys: Rescuing Our Sons from the Myths of Boyhood RC 47563

by William Pollack
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes

A clinical psychologist examines some major challenges that boys face in growing up. Explains the outmoded "Boy Code," which imposes unrealistic expectations on youth and can lead to alienation, aggressive behavior, and other adverse consequences. Proposes a new, healthier behavioral model for young men. 1998.

Choice Theory: A New Psychology of Personal Freedom RC 47571

by William Glasser
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes

Psychiatrist asserts that most human problems—including violence, addictions, and abuse—are caused by flawed relationships and by people who presume to know "what is right for us." He advocates "choice theory" as an approach to help people to develop healthy associations and lives. 1998.

The Practical Nomad: How To Travel around the World RC 47573

by Edward Hasbrouck
read by Jake Williams
5 cassettes

A handbook for the independent, around-the-world traveler. Advises on key aspects of planning international journeys, including choosing destinations, arranging for visas and permits,

personal finances, packing, local transportation, safety, and health. 1997.

Our Country's Founders: A Book of Advice for Young People RC 47574
edited by William J. Bennett
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Adapted for young adults, excerpts from *Our Sacred Honor (RC 46472)* illustrate the timeless principles and virtues espoused by the founding fathers of the United States. Included are the U.S. Constitution, the Declaration of Independence, a time line of the American Revolution, and brief biographies. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

Moses: A Life RC 47585
by Jonathan Kirsch
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
A reexamination of what is known about the biblical leader in order to portray him as a real, human person. Focuses on scriptural accounts of his actions, prophecies, and relationship with God to counter some exaggerated historical and artistic interpretations. 1998.

Great Careers for People Interested in Math and Computers RC 47588
by Peter Richardson and Bob Richardson
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Career advice for students with talent in mathematics and computers. Highlights job options such as an audio engineer, a research analyst, and a computer programmer. For senior high and older readers. 1993.

America 1900: The Turning Point RC 47649
by Judy Crichton
read by Barbara Pinolini
3 cassettes
A monthly chronicle of life in America during 1900. Recounts a time of transition as the young nation comes to terms with new technologies, an expanding economy, and a growing role in world affairs. Depicts a confident American people facing a new century. 1998.

Dealing with People You Can't Stand: How to Bring Out the Best in People at Their Worst RC 47664
by Rick Brinkman and Rick Kirschner
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
A guide to interacting with people whose behavior patterns try one's patience. Describes and analyzes the "ten most unwanted" character types, offering strategies and communication techniques for dealing with them. Gives advice to help people manage their own difficult behaviors. 1994.

Elegy for Iris RC 47669
by John Bayley
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
In this memoir of marriage, Bayley probes the mystique of the beloved. He describes how he fell in love with author Iris Murdoch in 1957 before she published her first book; how courtship evolved into a devoted marriage; and how he still sought her essential self after she developed Alzheimer's disease. 1999.

Amazing Grace: A Vocabulary of Faith RC 47755
by Kathleen Norris
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Traces the author's conversion through reconciliation with theological terminology. Proposes that belief in a living Christ and the use of ancient words and rituals continually help the church renew itself. Explores the meaning of Christian expressions, concluding that religious language is active and meaningful. 1998.

Reporting Live RC 47756
by Lesley Stahl
read by Pam Ward
4 cassettes
Autobiography of the television journalist. Describes how Stahl began her career in 1972, her emergence into the public eye during the Watergate scandal, her appearances on *Face the Nation* and *60 Minutes*, and her White House reporting during three presidencies. Discusses the evolution of the media; provides glimpses into her personal life. Bestseller 1999.

How to Get a Job If You're a Teenager RC 47766
by Cindy Pervola and Debby Hobgood
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Tips on job hunting address deciding what type of job to apply for, completing applications, preparing for the interview (including choosing what to wear), and the interview itself. What to expect on the first day and the proper way to quit a job are also discussed. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Tourette Syndrome RC 47777
by Elaine Landau
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
Describes the neurological disorder that is characterized by tics—involuntary movements or sounds. Discusses coping with the syndrome, which becomes apparent in childhood and can range from mild to severe. Profiles of people living with Tourette Syndrome include an athlete, a surgeon, and a musician. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1998.

Flying Solo: Reimagining Manhood, Courage, and Loss RC 47780
by Leonard Kriegel
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Twelve essays in which the author, who contracted polio at age eleven, discusses coming to terms with paralysis of the legs. In the title piece, Kriegel recounts his conversation with a woman whose paraplegic brother learned to fly an airplane—something on Kriegel's wish list when he was younger. Some strong language. 1998.

God among the Shakers: A Search for Stillness and Faith at Sabbathday Lake RC 47781
by Suzanne Skees
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
A "cynical, worldly" woman recounts her experience of sharing "a bit of life with the last eight Shakers" at Sabbathday Lake farm in Maine. Traces the history of the devout Christian community known for its simplicity, celibacy, and relations with the spirit world. Offers a perspective on the dying sect. 1998.

A Hope in the Unseen: An American Odyssey from the Inner City to the Ivy League RC 47795
by Ron Suskind
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
The author follows Cedric Jennings, an African American teenager, from a blighted environment in Washington, D.C., to Brown University. Although in the top of his high school class, Cedric at first has neither the educational background nor the social experience to meet the demands of the Ivy League college. Some strong language. 1998.

Careers for Wordsmiths RC 47819
by Andrew Kaplan
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
Profiles fourteen workers in jobs that rely on language skills; includes writer, editor, teacher, lexicographer, and press agent. Each worker discusses his or her work and offers advice on pursuing a language-related career. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1991.

Careers for Computer Buffs RC 47821
by Andrew Kaplan
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
Profiles fourteen individuals who work with computers in various ways, including software development, hardware research, and engineering. Each discusses his or her job and offers advice on pursuing a computer-related career. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1991.

Traveling Mercies: Some Thoughts on Faith RC 47831
by Anne Lamott
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Lamott first relates her childhood and her vacillation with Christianity, and describes the night of her conversion following an abortion and a week of drugs and alcohol. She then explains how she continues to struggle with the faith that now sustains her. Some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Rocket Boys: A Memoir RC 47833
by Homer H. Hickam
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
Retired NASA engineer reminisces about boyhood in the Sputnik era in West Virginia when his first rocket attempt burned down his mother's garden fence. He and his friends improved their models culminating in winning the 1960 National Science Fair. Movie *October Sky* is based on this book. 1998.

Cassettes Fiction

Detour for Emmy RC 44303
by Marilyn Reynolds
read by Jeanne Evans
2 cassettes
Emmy enters Hamilton High and begins planning for college and her future despite her unsupportive alcoholic mother. When Emmy's first relationship leads to pregnancy, her life must take a detour, but she's still determined to reach her goals. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. For junior and senior high readers. 1993.

Long Storm RC 44790
by Ernest Haycox
read by Don Emmick
2 cassettes
Portland, Oregon, during Civil War days is torn by a battle for control of the Northwest Territory. In order to free their land from slavery, Adam Musick, captain of the riverboat Daisy McGovern, and Lily Barnes, whose father is an agent for Musick, battle with Floyd Ringrose, leader of the Knights of the Golden Circle. Some strong language. 1946.

The Bookshop RC 45665
by Penelope Fitzgerald
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
A middle-aged widow, Florence Green, decides to open a bookstore in a five-hundred-year-old house in her small English town. She makes a noble start but is thwarted by Violet Gamart, who wants to convert "Old House" into an arts center. 1978.

Prize Stories 1997: The O. Henry Awards RC 45979
edited by Larry Dark
read by Kristin Allison
4 cassettes
Twenty short stories chosen from American and Canadian magazines. The 1997 winners of the O. Henry Award are Mary Gordon's "City Life"—first prize, George Saunders's "The Falls"—second, and Lee K. Abbott's "The Talk Talked between Worms"—third. 1997.

Beat to Quarters RC 46120
by C.S. Forester
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
June 1808. Captain Hornblower and his men are aboard the HMS *Lydia* off the coast of Nicaragua. He has been given several orders to carry out or face a court martial. One of his tasks is to find a water route across Central America, and as a result, he is transporting Lady Wellesley to Panama. Sequel to *Hornblower and the Atropos (RC 46119)*. 1938.

***A Curtain of Green* and Other Stories RC 46352**
by Eudora Welty
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Eudora Welty's first collection of published short stories. Welty writes of the common people she knew in her native Mississippi. In "A Curtain of Green," a grieving widow isolates herself in her garden; in "Why I Live at the P.O.," the postmistress flees her impossible relatives to live at work. 1941.

Dead Folks RC 46559
by Jon A. Jackson
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Deadman (RC 38428)*, detective Fang Mulheisen of the Detroit police is back on the trail of Joe Service and Helen Sedlacek. Joe escapes from a hospital and flees to Salt Lake City where he sends for Helen, who has the money they stole from the mob. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1996.

The Wind-Up Bird Chronicle RC 46636
by Haruki Murakami
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
5 cassettes
In Tokyo in 1984, Toru Okada's ordinary life begins to unravel when he quits his job. His wife, Kumiko, sends him to consult a psychic about their lost cat. After complaining that Toru does

not really know her, Kumiko disappears. Toru is determined to find her despite her brother's opposition. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1997.

The Black Book: An Inspector Rebus Novel RC 46660
by Ian Rankin
read by Steven Crossley
2 cassettes
Five years ago, Edinburgh's Central Hotel burned to the ground, and a body with a bullet hole in it was found in the ashes. Now John Rebus is having a terrible week—his lover has thrown him out, his brother has arrived unannounced, and his deputy is hospitalized in a coma. Then Rebus reads the notes in his deputy's black book and sees a connection. Strong language. 1993.

Reading in the Dark RC 46664
by Seamus Deane
read by Terry Donnelly
2 cassettes
An Irish boy recalls events in his life, from his childhood in the 1940s until his parents' deaths in 1971. The third child in a large Catholic family in Northern Ireland, he grew up hearing stories about the past and puzzling over family secrets. The most intriguing ones concerned the death of his Uncle Eddie in 1922. Some violence and some strong language. 1996.

Pelle the Conqueror: Volume 2, Apprenticeship RC 46672
by Martin Andersen Nexo
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
In this Danish classic, sequel to *Pelle the Conqueror: Volume 1, Childhood (RC 33640)*, fifteen-year-old Pelle decides to leave the poverty of farm life for town. As his agrarian community is becoming industrialized, Pelle struggles to fit into the narrow social confines of his new life while working as a shoemaker's apprentice. 1991.

Louisiana Blue: A Tiller Galloway Thriller RC 46796
by David Poyer
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Bahamas Blue (RC 46795)*, Galloway lands a job laying underwater cable for DeepTech, a shady oil-rig outfit in the Gulf of Mexico. Sure of his diving skills but plagued by a reputation for hard drinking and getting into trouble, Galloway is happy to be employed. But his boss's reaction to Galloway's report of pipeline corrosion alerts Galloway to danger ahead. Violence and strong language. 1994.

Drums along the Mohawk RC 47009
by Walter D. Edmonds
read by Norm Thibeault
4 cassettes (Reissue)
1776. Newlyweds Lana and Gilbert Martin are farmers in New York's Mohawk Valley. When the Revolutionary War starts, some of their neighbors flee to Canada while others join the militia. As the Indian and British attacks continue, the residents must defend themselves while the new government confiscates their food for the soldiers. 1936.

Ahmed's Revenge RC 47018
by Richard Wiley
read by Connie Crawford
2 cassettes
Julius Grant survives mauling by a lion and a gunshot wound only to be murdered in his hospital room. While figuring out why, his wife, Nora, discovers that he was smuggling ivory. Nora must

deal with her husband's deception, her father's deteriorating mental faculties, and the Kenyan ivory smugglers who want a box buried on her coffee farm. Some violence, some descriptions of sex, and some strong language. 1998.

Believers: A Novella and Stories
RC 47019
by Charles Baxter
read by Gary Roan
2 cassettes
Stories about the routines of everyday life—until something unexpected happens. In "Kiss Away," a young girl is warned not to trust her new boyfriend, but she refuses to listen. In "Time Exposure," a neighbor doesn't want to believe that the man upstairs is a child abuser. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Railroad Schemes RC 47029
by Cecelia Holland
read by Anne Hancock
2 cassettes
Bookworm Lily Viner, fifteen, has never known a real home because her father drags her along on his unlawful pursuits. When he is killed in a stagecoach robbery, his partner, King, takes Lily under his wing. Their growing fondness for each other almost overshadows his compulsion to stop the westward expansion of the Southern Pacific railroad. Strong language. 1997.

Léa: The Blue Bicycle, Book 2
RC 47076
by Régine Deforges
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
In the waning months of 1942, Léa Delmas leaves her father's vineyards for Paris. There Léa continues her work for the Resistance and spends time with her lover, Francois Tavernier, who seems to have a connection with both the Allies and their enemies. Sequel to *The Blue Bicycle (RC 24848)*. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1987.

The Devil Laughs Again: The Blue Bicycle, Book 3 RC 47077
by Régine Deforges
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
As World War II escalates, Léa copes with the deaths of friends, including Camille, and the ruin of the family's vineyards. Yet she continues working for the Resistance, joins the Red Cross, and travels to Berlin, returning to Paris on the eve of liberation. Sequel to *Léa (RC 47076)*. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1988.

Brunswick Gardens RC 47115
by Anne Perry
read by Terry Hayes Sales
3 cassettes
Victorian policeman Thomas Pitt investigates the death of Unity Bellwood, a scholar of ancient languages who was assisting Reverend Parmenter with writing a book. When Pitt learns Unity was pregnant, he suspects Reverend Parmenter, his son, or a curate living in the house. But when the priest is murdered, Pitt must develop a new theory. As usual, his wife, Charlotte, helps him uncover the guilty party. 1998.

Group Portrait with Lady RC 47116
by Heinrich Boll
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Sardonic "portrait" created by a woman who is living in poverty, pregnant and alone at forty-eight. As a German, she recalls her life during the rise and fall of

the Nazi regime. The author was awarded the Nobel Prize for literature. 1973.

The Bent Twig RC 47121
by Dorothy Canfield
read by Madelyn Buzzard
4 cassettes
Sylvia Marshall has been raised by her parents in an unconventional but happy manner. Upon starting school, she and her sister Judith begin to learn of the injustices of the world. Longing to belong, Sylvia eventually realizes that she cannot give up her morals in order to conform to society. 1915.

Survivor RC 47123
by Tabitha King
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
A car accident dramatically changes the course of artistic college student Kissy Mellors's future. Besides the immediate horror of seeing a fellow coed struck and killed, Kissy experiences a long-term aftermath with dangerous consequences. Three men related to the tragedy will play crucial roles in her sexual and emotional development. Explicit descriptions of sex, strong language, and some violence. 1997.

Illusions: A "Nameless Detective" Novel RC 47126
by Bill Pronzini
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
The nameless detective is upset by the suicide of his ex-partner and ex-friend Eberhardt when Ira Erskine hires him to find his missing ex-wife. Erskine claims that his young son is dying of cancer and needs his mother. Nameless tracks down the mother but with dire consequences for Erskine. Back at home, Nameless discovers more surprises about Eberhardt. Strong language and some violence. 1997.

The Last Day RC 47148
by Glenn Kleier
read by David Hartley-Margolin
4 cassettes
New Year's Eve, 1999. Following a geological explosion that destroys a secret research station in the Negev desert, a young woman appears, claiming to be the messiah for the approaching millennium. Performing miracles and revealing a new testament, Jeza attracts millions of followers. Reporter Jon Feldman senses the story of the ages and begins to investigate. Some violence. 1997.

The Novellas of Hortense Calisher RC 47149
by Hortense Calisher
read by Gabriella Cavallero
4 cassettes
Collection of seven novellas. "Tale for the Mirror," originally published in 1962, tells of the arrival of Dr. Bhatta, a Hindu "neurologist," at a Hudson River estate and his reception by the local inhabitants. A more experimental novella, "The Man Who Spat Silver," first in print in 1987, features a woman writer in New York City. 1997.

Putting Up Roots: A Jupiter Novel RC 47167
by Charles Sheffield
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Joshua, his autistic cousin Dawn, and a group of teenagers are sent to Solferino twenty-seven light years away as part of a colonization effort by Foodlines. Josh is learning about his new environment, adjusting to new companions, and coping with his responsibility for Dawn, whose special gifts become more appar-

ent on Solferino. For senior high and older readers. 1997.

Under African Skies: Modern African Stories RC 47193
edited by Charles R. Larson
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Short stories by twenty-six writers from sub-Saharan Africa, published since 1947. Long-established authors such as Amos Tutuola and Chinua Achebe are represented, as well as newer names like Veronique Tadjo and Ben Okri. Contains an overview of the African literary scene by the editor. 1997.

The Dancer Upstairs RC 47194
by Nicholas Shakespeare
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
John Dyer, an English journalist assigned to South America, needs one last story before leaving the country. Denied an interview with the president, he stumbles upon the policeman who captured a notorious left-wing terrorist leader. The policeman, Agustin Rejas, recalls his twelve-year hunt for the rebel and his regrets about the outcome. Some violence and some strong language. 1995.

Sleeping at the Magnolia RC 47202
by Lisa G. Brown
read by Ilona Dulaski
3 cassettes
Colley Rawlins and Lainie Thorne shared a delicate love from childhood, but were torn apart as young adults. As Lainie struggles to keep from losing the Magnolia, the Tennessee hotel that has belonged to her family for years, Colley returns to town and again stirs up her heart. Some violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1997.

Barney Polan's Game: A Novel of the 1951 College Basketball Scandals RC 47213
by Charley Rosen
read by David Elias
2 cassettes
Brooklyn, New York; 1951. Veteran sports reporter Barney Polan uncovers college basketball players taking money from professional gamblers in return for shaving points in hotly contested games. Strong language. 1998.

The Zigzag Kid RC 47222
by David Grossman
read by Anne Hancock
3 cassettes
A week before his bar mitzvah, Nonny Feuerberg is on a train to Haifa—leaving behind his policeman father with Gabriella, a.k.a. Gabi, his father's longtime companion. Once under way, Nonny discovers a letter from his father and Gabi encouraging him to make this journey into an "incredible, hair-raising adventure," and then he is kidnapped. 1994.

Invasion RC 47228
by Robin Cook
read by Jeremy Gage
2 cassettes
What looks like a shooting star streaks across the sky, and radios, televisions, and computers explode. When college student Beau Stark finds a small domed object the next morning, he begins to transform. Soon, many of the town's population are subtly and scarily changed. Some violence. 1997.

Lord of the Isles: The Lord of the Isles, Book 1 RC 47238
by David Drake
read by Nanette Savard
4 cassettes
A female wizard, Tenoctris, survives the

destruction of the land of Yole caused by the Hooded One (a powerful sorcerer) and arrives onshore one thousand years later. She is rescued by Garric, a seventeen-year-old youth, and accompanies him after he and his sister Sharina embark on separate journeys. Prequel to *Queen of Demons (RC 47239)*. Some violence. 1997.

Queen of Demons: The Lord of the Isles, Book 2 RC 47239
by David Drake
read by Nanette Savard
4 cassettes
Garric resumes the adventures begun in *Lord of the Isles (RC 47238)*. Now in Erdin, traveling with Cashel and still accompanied by the female wizard Tenoctris, he works on his sword skills. Cashel's sister Ilna (an expert weaver), Sharina, and Liane join the group before Garric continues his quest. Some violence. 1998.

Court Duel: The Crown and Court Duet, Book 2 RC 47241
by Sherwood Smith
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
Now that King Galdran has been defeated, Count Branaric has become part of the royal court. His sister Countess Meliara prefers to stay at their castle and return it to its former glory. Meliara will eventually go to court, and there she will find herself in a different kind of battle. Sequel to *Crown Duel (RC 47240)*. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

The Wind-Witch: The Warhorse of Esdragon, Book 2 RC 47242
by Susan Dexter
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Prince of Ill Luck (RC 47188)*, Kessallia's granddaughter, Druyan, has inherited the horse Valadan. As a new widow with no heirs, she could lose the land her husband farmed unless she pays the crop tithes and works the land for a year and a day without remarrying. Kellis, a raider taken prisoner by her late husband, comes to her aid. 1994.

County Chronicle RC 47244
by Angela Thirkell
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes (Reissue)
As the story begun in *The Old Bank House (RC 47189)* continues, the lives of more residents of Barsetshire are exposed. Scenes include Marling Hall, the Cathedral Close, and Gatherum Castle. Isabel Dale, the heroine, comes into money and marries Lord Silverbridge, thus making it possible for him to stand for political office. 1950.

Billy Straight RC 47256
by Jonathan Kellerman
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
One night in the park, twelve-year-old, homeless Billy Straight witnesses the murder of the ex-wife of a television star. With detective Petra Connor, the media, bounty hunters, and the murderer on his trail, Billy struggles to survive day by day. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1998.

The Simple Truth RC 47257
by David Baldacci
read by Faith Potts
3 cassettes
When Rufus Harms, a military prisoner for twenty-five years, suddenly files an appeal to the Supreme Court, his defenders start dying in mysterious accidents. Supreme Court clerk Sara Evans and John Fiske, brother of one of the victims, begin to investigate. Meanwhile, Rufus escapes. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1998.

The Bondmaid RC 47279
by Catherine Lim
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
At the age of four, Han is sold to the house of Wu as a bondmaid. She is overcome with grief at being separated from her mother and acts as though she is possessed. But young master Wu is able to calm Han and comes to enjoy her company. A strong and dangerous bond develops between Han and Wu, even though their stations in life should keep them apart. 1995.

Written on the Body RC 47283
by Jeanette Winterson
read by MaryBeth Wise
1 cassette
After a series of failed relationships, the protagonist, unnamed and unidentified by gender, falls in love with Louise, a married woman. Their romantic interlude is interrupted when they learn Louise has cancer. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1992.

The Blood Artists RC 47289
by Chuck Hogan
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
In the year 2016 virologists Peter Maryk and Stephen Pearse race against time to stop the spread of an organism that has wiped out the town of Plainville, Massachusetts. One resident, Melanie Weir, is immune—as is Maryk. But a carrier is deliberately spreading the virus—killing plants, animals, and insects, as well as humans. Some violence. 1998.

The Truth Can Get You Killed RC 47290
by Mark Richard Zubro
read by Bruce Nelson
2 cassettes
Gay detective Paul Turner and his partner investigate the death of a federal judge responsible for antihomosexual legislation. The body was found in a dumpster near the gay bar where Turner had been celebrating New Year's Eve the night before. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Shiva Dancing RC 47293
by Bharti Kirchner
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
At thirty-five, the successful and cosmopolitan Meena Gossett lives in San Francisco but lacks a loving companion. Through e-mail she contacts her long-lost love, Vishnu, in India. At the same time, she is sorting out her feelings for Antoine, who seems attracted to her despite his engagement to Liv. A trip to Calcutta brings Meena to a fateful decision. 1998.

To Say Nothing of the Dog; or, How We Found the Bishop's Bird Stump at Last RC 47301
by Connie Willis
read by David Cutler
4 cassettes
In 2057 Lady Schrapnell endows a time-travel project in return for help in rebuilding Coventry Cathedral. The only object she needs for the newly restored building is the bishop's bird stump. Ned Henry is sent back to 1940 to retrieve it before the church burns, but he arrives a few hours too late—which is just the beginning of his problems. 1997.

The Locket RC 47309
by Richard Paul Evans
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
Following his mother's death, Michael Keddington takes a job at a nursing home to pay off his growing debts. He meets the quiet and withdrawn Esther Huish, and as he wins her trust, she encourages him to pursue his relationship with the well-to-do Faye Murrow. Then Michael is accused of murdering a resident. Bestseller 1998.

On the Occasion of My Last Afternoon RC 47320
by Kaye Gibbons
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
Emma Garnet recounts her life story spanning the Civil War. She contends with a vexatious father, but is championed by Clarice, a free black housekeeper. Escaping her southern plantation upbringing by marrying a northern doctor, Emma's happiness is cut short by wartime horrors. Some strong language. 1998.

All She Was Worth RC 47322
by Miyuki Miyabe
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Engaged, Jun Kurisaka and Shoko Sekine are shopping for their new home when Jun learns Shoko has no credit cards. A bank employee, Jun expedites Shoko's application and is shocked to learn she has a bad credit record. Then Shoko disappears. Jun implores his "uncle" Honma, a homicide investigator on medical leave, to help. Neither is ready for what Honma uncovers. 1996.

State of Mind RC 47324
by John Katzenbach
read by Chuck Benson
4 cassettes
Abnormal psychology professor Jeffrey Clayton is approached by an agent demanding his help in locating a serial killer. Meanwhile Jeffrey's sister, a word game designer, tries to identify who is sending her unsettling messages. The person they are both seeking may be their long-estranged and supposedly dead father. Violence and strong language. 1997.

Digging Up Momma: A Samantha Adams Mystery RC 47347
by Sarah Shankman
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Crime writer Samantha Adams is shocked to receive a letter from her mother—her parents died in a plane crash when Samantha was eight! Is it a cruel joke? Or, if her mother really is alive, why does she need Samantha to come to Santa Fe, and why has she waited thirty-four years to contact her? Strong language and some violence. 1998.

Murder and Other Acts of Literature: Twenty-four Unforgettable and Chilling Stories by Some of the World's Best-Loved, Most Celebrated Writers
RC 47352
edited by Michele Slung
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Short mysteries by such diverse authors as Edith Wharton, John Cheever, Naguib Mahfouz, and Alice Walker. In "Miss Forbes's Summer of Happiness," a governess is killed, apparently in a fit of passion. In "The Johore Murders," someone is eliminating expatriates as they prepare to leave for home. Violence and some strong language. 1997.

Second Lives: A Novel of the Gilded Age
RC 47361
by Richard S. Wheeler
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Denver, Colorado; 1882. Six people of divergent interests seek the realization of their hopes and dreams. Among them are Lorenzo "Magnificent" Carthage, who wins and loses millions in mines before he is thirty; Cornelia Kimbrough, who is determined to escape her marriage to a wealthy, cold man; and Rose Edenderry, an Irish serving girl whose weakness is unsuitable men. 1997.

Promised Land RC 47369
by Cynthia Felice and Connie Willis
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
It has been fifteen years since Delanna Milleflores left the planet Keramos. Now she has come home only to settle her mother's estate and to sell the property she inherited. But several surprises await Delanna—the sale is delayed, and she learns that she is married to Sonny Tanner, part owner of her land. Some strong language. 1996.

Sunshine Rider: The First Vegetarian Western RC 47374
by Ric Lynden Hardman
read by Don Feldheim
2 cassettes
Teenager Wylie Jackson is allowed to go on his first cattle drive as an assistant cook. Due to a series of mishaps, Wylie steals a horse, becomes a vegetarian, and decides to learn doctoring. But with a reward for his return, Wylie cannot escape justice forever. Includes frontier recipes. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

Unicorn's Blood RC 47381
by Patricia Finney
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
As a young princess, Elizabeth I wrote of her affair with Thomas Seymour and of Mary Queen of Scots as the royal heir in a diary. Now queen, Elizabeth must find the stolen journal—identified by an embroidered unicorn with a ruby eye—before her opponents do. Companion to *Firedrake's Eye (RC 36531)*. Some strong language. 1998.

A Magical Christmas RC 47384
by Heather Graham
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Even though she is contemplating divorce, Julie Radcliff reluctantly agrees to spend Christmas with her husband, Jon, and their three kids at a country inn in Virginia. Once there, the family finds the hosts dressed in Civil War costumes. Regaling in the peaceful environment, the couple soon regain their

mutual love. Meanwhile, strange old-fashioned characters appear. 1996.

Nobody's Baby but Mine RC 47391
by Susan Elizabeth Phillips
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
2 cassettes
Jane, a thirty-four-year-old physics professor, wants a baby. Her football-groupie neighbor promises to find a classy hooker for quarterback Cal Bonner's birthday. Jane agrees to pose as the call girl, thinking that a child with an athlete's I.Q. would not be the teased genius she had been. Companion to *Dream a Little Dream (RC 45735)*. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1997.

The Book of Night with Moon RC 47393
by Diane Duane
read by Jill Fox
4 cassettes
In this feline universe, the cat civilization has its own language, Ailurin, and its unique codes of conduct. A team composed of Rhiow—a black female, Saash—a tortoiseshell, and Urruah—a young tabby tomcat, is assigned to patrol Grand Central Station. Maintaining order in the magical gateways leads the cats into confrontations with their adversaries. For senior high and older readers. 1997.

New York Mosaic: Three Novels RC 47394
by Isabel Bolton
read by Terry Hayes Sales
3 cassettes
Three portrayals of the lives of wealthy residents of New York City in the post-World War II years. In *Do I Wake or Sleep*, a socialite meets a refugee from Europe; in *The Christmas Tree*, a grandmother's holiday is ruined when her beloved homosexual son appears uninvited; and in *Many Mansions*, an elderly woman reads a manuscript about her life. 1952.

Heat RC 47397
by Michael Cadnum
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Bonnie, who wants a medical career in the blindness field, attends a private high school where she excels in diving. During practice, Bonnie receives a head injury that scares her more than she admits. Her world is further shaken when her divorced, arrogant, attorney father is arrested for defrauding clients. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Remote Control RC 47398
by Stephen White
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Fighting the onset of MS-related vision loss, Boulder County deputy district attorney Lauren Crowder may have shot someone while protecting the famous daughter of an assassinated U.S. Surgeon General. Lauren's husband, therapist Alan Gregory, and her attorneys frantically work through the night to solve the convoluted case. Some strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1997.

The Silent Cradle RC 47401
by Margaret Cuthbert
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
Dr. Rae Duprey is an obstetrician at Berkeley Hills Hospital. Her former lover Bo Michaels now runs a nearby maternity center. When the hospital handles a string of emergency cases originating from the center, Rae begins

an investigation that puts both her job and her life at risk. Strong language and some violence. 1998.

Harmony RC 47402
by Stef Ann Holm
read by Sharon Murray
3 cassettes
In turn-of-the-century Harmony, Montana, Edwina Huntington has spent her savings on a building to open a deportment school. To her horror, she learns the building was also illegally sold to Tom Wolcott for a sporting goods store. The two work side by side while their differences turn to desire. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1997.

Camilla's Fate RC 47408
by Judith A. Lansdowne
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
In Regency England, Camilla Quinn believes romance and marriage would stifle her plans to become an independent authoress. So she is astonished to realize how attracted she is to Jason Fate—especially since she meets him first as he's robbing her and later when he is falsely claiming to be heir to a dukedom. 1997.

Sacred Heart RC 47410
by Marcel Montecino
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes
New York, 1926. Irish gangster Tommy Coyne flees the city after his father is killed during a setup. Disguised as a priest, he arrives in Mexico to join his older brother Frank, a Jesuit. Tommy discovers Mexico is in the midst of a civil war with clergymen the favorite targets of the Federales. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 1997.

The Secret Warriors RC 47414
by W.E.B. Griffin
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
It is 1942 in this sequel to *The Last Heroes (RC 45119)*, and American intelligence has uncovered a major lode of uranium ore in the Belgian Congo. When two U.S. security agents are airdropped into the area to extract the ore, they encounter unexpected opposition. Strong language. 1985.

The Passions of Emma RC 47415
by Penelope Williamson
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Rhode Island, 1890. Genteel Emma Tremayne's orderly life is changed when mill worker Bria McKenna shows up with her dead son in her arms. Although engaged to the mill owner, Emma sympathizes with Bria, who is dying of consumption. She also finds herself falling in love with Bria's children—and her husband, Shay. Some strong language. 1997.

Finders Keepers RC 47416
by Fern Michaels
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Atlanta, 1957. Grieving over her own children's deaths, wealthy, unbalanced Thea Roland kidnaps a toddler. With her husband's guilt-ridden help, Thea raises the child as her daughter, calling her Jessie. As an adult, the privileged but unhappy Jessie finally learns the truth. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Game Plan RC 47419
by Thomas J. Dygard
read by Randy Davidson
1 cassette
When Barton High School's football coach is hospitalized right before the final game of the season, the only one who can replace him is his student manager, Beano Hatton. Beano accepts the responsibility, knowing how much he has learned from the coach in three years. After devising a game plan, Beano's major hurdle is convincing the team to believe in him. For junior and senior high readers. 1993.

The Scent of Murder RC 47424
by Barbara Block
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Robin Light, at her pet store, is surprised when a blue-haired teenager asks her for help. Suspected of killing her stepfather, Amy Richmond turns out to be Robin's deceased husband's daughter. While investigating the murder, Robin encounters the world of teenage runaways and drugs. Some violence and some strong language. 1997.

Medicine Hat RC 47425
by Don Coldsmith
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
A young holy man of the Elk-dog People dreams of a horse with unusual markings, as if wearing a "medicine hat." When such a horse is born to his mare, a ritual casting of the bones compels him to undertake a northward quest to determine the meaning of this colt. Although it is a spiritual mission, the trip is fraught with danger. 1997.

Once upon a Midnight Moon RC 47426
by Carol Finch
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
In 1768, feisty French Micaela Rouchard flees New Orleans to escape an arranged marriage. She stows away on a ship owned by Carolina colonist Lucien Saffire, unwittingly becomes involved in his feud with his grandfather, and again becomes an unwilling bride-to-be. Explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 1997.

The Silver Gryphon: The Mage Wars, Book 3 RC 47427
by Mercedes Lackey and Larry Dixon
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
Two members of the Silver Gryphons, an elite guard force, receive their first solo assignment to take charge of the remote Outpost Five. Tadrith, the son of Skandranon, and his partner Silverblade, daughter of Amberdrake, have barely started their journey when Tadrith's magic stops working, stranding them in an unknown area. Sequel to *The White Gryphon (RC 41578)*. 1996.

Left Behind: A Novel of the Earth's Last Days RC 47462
by Tim LaHaye and Jerry B. Jenkins
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
As Captain Rayford Steele pilots a plane across the Atlantic, his senior flight attendant, Hattie Durham, gives him the shocking news that half the passengers have disappeared. Before long, he learns that people are missing all over the world. Rayford, his priest, and several others form the Tribulation Force to fight the Antichrist. Prequel to *Tribulation Force (RC 47463)*. 1995.

Tribulation Force: The Continuing Drama of Those Left Behind RC 47463
by Tim LaHaye and Jerry B. Jenkins
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Many of Earth's inhabitants have been taken to Heaven, but those left behind face seven years of tribulation. Some will not survive the coming devastation. Tribulation Force members—Rayford Steele, Chloe Steele, Bruce Barnes, and Buck Williams—do what they can, but even one of them will soon be dead. Sequel to *Left Behind (RC 47462)*. 1996.

A Holly, Jolly Murder: A Claire Malloy Mystery RC 47470
by Joan Hess
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Bookstore owner Claire Malloy is invited to attend a winter solstice celebration by a customer, Malthea Hendlerson, who is a Druid. Claire arrives at the ceremonial site but soon learns that the Druids' benefactor, Nicholas Chunder, has been murdered. Her boyfriend, police officer Peter Rosen, is out of town, but Claire offers to help find the killer. Some violence. 1997.

A Gathering of Eagles: The Wakefield Dynasty, Volume 7 RC 47479
by Gilbert Morris
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
Shayna Wakefield, seventeen, falls in love with Cathan Morgan. However, their plans to marry are thwarted by her father, Honor, who vows to keep them apart, believing Cathan to be unworthy. Yet circumstances throw Shayna and Cathan together aboard Honor's ship as war with Napoleon breaks out. Sequel to *The Song of Princes (RC 47478)*. 1998.

Sister, Sister RC 47502
by Eric Jerome Dickey
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
Two sisters, Inda and Valerie, call each other Red and Black because of their skin tones. The sisters find an unlikely friend in a third woman as each attempts to deal with a dead-end relationship and carve out a new life. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1996.

The Ugliest House in the World: Stories RC 47503
by Peter Ho Davies
read by David Cutler
1 cassette
Eight short stories about people in several countries facing predicaments. In the title story, an old man is ostracized by his Welsh village for the accidental death of a young boy with whom he played football. In "Coventry," two unemployed Englishmen spend time drinking and watching football until one of them finds a job. Some strong language. 1997.

The Journal of Antonio Montoya RC 47520
by Rick Collignon
read by Nanette Savard
1 cassette
When Ramona is leaving the funeral of her brother and his wife, the wife sits up in the casket to request that Ramona rear their seven-year-old son Jose. Other deceased relatives visit Ramona and bring her the 1924 journal of another ancestor. The living and the dead intermingle in Ramona's life as she tries to figure out what is happening. 1996.

Purple Dots RC 47525
by Jim Lehrer
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Retired spy Charlie Henderson lives the good life in West Virginia amid lots of former colleagues. When his old buddy, Joshua Bennett, is nominated to head the CIA, Charlie thinks the confirmation will be easy. But after Bennett receives threats from a senator's aide, Henderson and his pals risk violence to ensure their friend's appointment. 1998.

Under the Red Flag: Stories RC 47529
by Ha Jin
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Stories about life in a Chinese village during the Cultural Revolution. The clash between traditional values and duty to the Communist Party is an ongoing theme. In "Winds and Clouds over a Funeral," a son must disregard his mother's wish for burial and have her cremated. In "Emperor" wild boys gain popularity and status with each misdeed. Some strong language. Winner of the Flannery O'Connor Award for Short Fiction. 1997.

The Face-Changers RC 47534
by Thomas Perry
read by Mary Woods
3 cassettes
Jane used to help people in trouble start over with new identities. Her new husband, Carey, convinced her to stop, but now he needs her help. His mentor, a surgeon, is being falsely accused of murder and believes he will be killed. Meanwhile, someone is posing as Jane—and the impostor isn't out to help anybody. Some violence and some strong language. 1998.

Blackbird Singing RC 47539
by Jay Amberg
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Daughter of an NBA star and a television journalist, young Tonya is kidnapped from her gymnastics facility. Her captor uses the media and his computer-hacking skills to taunt her parents, the FBI, the private detectives, and the local police. Strong language and some violence. 1998.

The Lightkeeper RC 47540
by Susan Wiggs
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Washington coastline, 1876. Jesse Morgan, mourning the loss of his wife and unborn child, lives a monk's existence at the lighthouse. When beautiful, pregnant Mary Dare is washed ashore after a shipwreck, he tries to avoid her. But Mary needs his help while she waits to deliver her baby. Slowly Jesse rediscovers the joy of life. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1997.

Hockey sur Glace: Stories RC 47546
by Peter LaSalle
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Short stories and poems centering around the sport of ice hockey. In "Le Rocket Negre," a Quebec teenager is recruited from an orphanage based on his apparent racial identity. In "Wellesley College for Women, 1969," a former hockey player on scholarship to Harvard reminisces about two former girlfriends. 1996.

The Black Sun RC 47550
by Jack Williamson
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Space travel to a new colony is Carlos Mondragon's lifelong goal. After traveling illegally from Mexico and arriving at the launch site, Carlos stows away on the last starship of a special project. When the spacecraft lands on a frozen planet, the colonists find evidence that it is still inhabited. Carlos gradually proves himself an asset to the mission. 1997.

Follow the River RC 47552
by James Alexander Thom
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes (Reissue)
1755. Mary Ingles is twenty-three and expecting her third child when Shawnee Indians ravage her Virginia settlement and take her captive. Mary keeps up her spirits and, after a few months in captivity, escapes to make her way on foot through a thousand miles of wilderness to return to her family. Some violence. 1981.

Jury Duty RC 47560
by Laura Van Wormer
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Novelist Libby Winslow is at a low mark in her love life when she is selected to be on a jury. As the jurists become acquainted, Libby is attracted to rugged Alexander McCalley and then broker William Klein, who also seems interested in her. Some violence and some descriptions of sex. 1996.

Penhallow RC 47561
by Georgette Heyer
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes (Reissue)
A psychological tale of a large self-absorbed Cornish family. The murder of one family member causes great consternation—any one of the others might have been the murderer. Some strong language. 1943.

Running Wild RC 47567
by Thomas J. Dygard
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Pete Holman, always in trouble, is released from police custody to Coach Wilson on the condition that Pete join the football team. Pete reluctantly agrees, knowing his incorrigible friends will mock him. But, learning he is a natural receiver, he discovers purpose and friendship in being part of the team. For junior and senior high readers. 1996.

Chain of Custody RC 47568
by Harry Levy
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Dr. Michael Malone, a physician and medical malpractice lawyer, is accused of murdering his estranged wife. In the midst of the trial, Malone works to settle his own cases. When a client is murdered, Malone connects the deaths and races to find new suspects. Some descriptions of sex, some strong language, and some violence. 1998.

A Love So Splendid RC 47569
by Linda Ladd
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
South Carolina, 1764. Trinity Kingston and Lord William Remington had been

wed as children by their parents. When the Revolutionary War breaks out, William's mother and sister and Trinity become rebels, while William remains in England loyal to the Crown. But when he returns to the colonies to annul the marriage, the two unexpectedly fall in love. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1997.

Alice Adams RC 47570
by Booth Tarkington
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Alice, a socially ambitious girl from a midwestern lower-middle-class family, hopes to find a rich husband. She makes up stories that lead her family to suffer scandals and push her further from her goal. Winner of the Pulitzer Prize in 1922. 1921.

Critical Mass RC 47575
by Steve Martini
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Joselyn Cole, a lawyer in the San Juan Islands of Washington state, has lost her wealthy client to a fatal accident. The businessman turns out to have been involved in a Russian-American nuclear smuggling ring. With Joselyn's help, arms inspector Gideon van Ry tries to track down the missing nuclear devices. Some strong language and some violence. 1998.

Generous Death: A Jenny Cain Mystery RC 47576
by Nancy Pickard
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Jenny Cain, director of the town foundation, is threatened by the murders of three major philanthropists. With her name listed as the next victim, Jenny works with policeman Geof Bushfield, a former classmate, to catch the killer. Some violence and some strong language. 1984.

Damsel in Distress: A Daisy Dalrymple Mystery RC 47577
by Carola Dunn
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
When the Honourable Phillip Petrie's car breaks down, American Gloria Arbuckle, in England with her millionaire father, comes to his rescue. Phillip is quite taken with Gloria, and a romance begins. When she is kidnapped, Phillip calls on his childhood friend, Daisy Dalrymple, for help. 1997.

A Perfect Crime RC 47583
by Peter Abrahams
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
2 cassettes
Francie and Ned are having an affair —meeting once a week in an island cottage. Francie's husband, a brilliant but recently unemployed executive, finds out and plots the perfect revenge. Meanwhile, Francie unknowingly befriends Ned's wife. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Get a Life RC 47589
by Laura Peyton Roberts
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Eight students at Clearwater Crossing High are assigned to a carnival booth to help raise funds for a schoolmate with leukemia. Although they come from diverse backgrounds and have different interests, they become close friends. Despite religious differences, Leah and Miguel even fall in love. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Seize the Night RC 47667
by Dean Koontz
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
Christopher Snow, whose affliction makes him unable to tolerate light, investigates the disappearance of children in Moonlight Bay, California. Chris, his friends, and his wonder dog and cat search the abandoned base nearby and discover genetically altered monkeys and others conducting experiments on human subjects. Companion to *Fear Nothing (RC 45719)*. Some violence. Bestseller 1999.

Be Cool RC 47672
by Elmore Leonard
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *Get Shorty (RC 31976)*, loan-shark-turned-movie-producer Chili Palmer takes his next plot idea from the events around him—the Russian Mafia, entertainment business goons, and hip-hop gangsta bands. Chili sets out to scam everyone to get his movie made. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

Heartbreaker RC 47751
by Karen Robards
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Lynn Nelson, a Chicago anchorwoman, has planned a ten-day camping trip in Utah to bond with her teenage daughter, Rory. But their fall from a cliff is just the beginning of many nightmares they and their guide, the handsome Jess Feldman, must face. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1997.

Tales from the Blue Archives RC 47754
by Lawrence Thornton
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
Dolores Masson, a grandmother in Argentina, seeks the return of her "disappeared" grandsons. She knows that General Guzman gave Roger and Joaquin to a childless couple, Eduardo and Beatriz Ponce, several years ago. Now the boys are teenagers, and she wants them back regardless of the emotional cost. 1997.

Prime Cut RC 47760
by Diane Mott Davidson
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Goldy Bear Schulz faces competition from an obnoxious fellow caterer who undercuts her prices. Her kitchen is also torn apart and left unfinished by an unscrupulous contractor who later is found dead in a friend's house. Because her husband, Tom, is suspended from the police force, Goldy investigates. Includes recipes. Some violence. 1998.

Backfield Package RC 47768
by Thomas J. Dygard
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Four football players at Hillcrest High make a pact to stick together and play at the same college as a "backfield package." But only Joe Mitchell, the quarterback, is recruited by a big-name school and must decide whether to keep his promise or explore all the options. For junior and senior high readers. 1992.

The Medicine Horn: The Buckskinners, Book 1 RC 47770
by Jory Sherman
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Lemuel Hawke is only fifteen when he marries Roberta, but his dream is to be self-sufficient on the land. By 1807, he is farming outside Lexington, Kentucky, when Roberta moves to town leaving Lemuel with a son and a distrust of women. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Golden Spur Winner. 1991.

The Dower House RC 47772
by Annabel Davis-Goff
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
In post-war Ireland, young Molly Hassard and her upper-class Anglo-English family live in genteel poverty. In order to change their fortunes, Molly and her cousin Sophie eventually relocate to England. But Molly misses the Irish traditions and longs to return to rekindle her secret love for a fellow countryman. 1997.

The MacGregor Grooms RC 47798
by Nora Roberts
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
Having arranged marriages for his granddaughters, *The MacGregor Brides (RC 45023)*, Daniel MacGregor now plans for his grandsons. D.C. takes Layna Drake to a charity ball; gambling-boat owner Duncan hires singer Cat Farrell; and Boston lawyer Ian writes a contract for publisher Naomi Brightstone. Some descriptions of sex. 1998.

The Beach House RC 47815
by Georgia Bockoven
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
Now a widow, thirty-two-year-old Julia Huntington plans to sell the Santa Cruz beach house where she and Ken spent many wonderful hours. As she and the summer tenants spend their last weeks at the cottage, each goes through a transition from despair to joy. 1997.

Echoes RC 47840
by Robin Jones Gunn
read by Nona Pipes
2 cassettes
When Lauren Phillips and her fiance have a major difference of opinion on their future, they call off their engagement. To help her adjust, her brother buys Lauren a computer and gets her involved in a Christian e-mail group. Lauren begins corresponding with K.C. and finds herself falling in love with a man she has never met. 1996.

***Twilight* and Other Stories RC 47847**
by Shulamith Hareven
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Seven tales by an Israeli woman writer translated from Hebrew. In the title piece, a woman dreams of soldiers taking people away from the opera night after night and her decision to leave at the intermission. In "Love by Telephone," two elderly women are upset by obscene phone calls, and the one who learns who the caller is, wishes she had not. 1992.

The Cat Who Saw Stars RC 47906
by Lilian Jackson Braun
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Qwilleran and his cats Koko and Yum Yum always retreat to his lake cottage

in July. Just before they go this year, Qwilleran learns a young hiker has disappeared in that area. Then shortly after their arrival, Koko makes a discovery on the beach that keeps Qwilleran busy. Bestseller 1998.

The Undertaker's Widow RC 47914
by Phillip Margolin
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Judge Richard Quinn's first homicide case proves to be dangerous. State representative Ellen Crease, in the middle of a campaign, shoots and kills a burglar who has just murdered her husband. Soon evidence suggests she hired the guy as a hit man. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1998.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

American Heroes of Exploration and Flight RC 45660
by Anne Schraff
read by Graci Ragsdale
1 cassette
Profiles the lives of ten distinguished American explorers and aviators. Describes the polar treks of Matthew Henson, Robert Peary, and Richard Byrd; Charles Lindbergh's transatlantic flight; and the space journeys of Neil Armstrong, Sally Ride, and others. For grades 5-8. 1996.

American Inventors of the Twentieth Century RC 45661
by Laura S. Jeffrey
read by Graci Ragsdale
1 cassette
Profiles the lives of ten American inventors who harnessed technology in creative ways to benefit many lives. Includes laser pioneer Gordon Gould, Kevlar fiber developer Stephanie Kwolek, and Lonnie Johnson, designer of the Super Soaker water gun. For grades 5-8. 1996.

In Search of the Grand Canyon RC 47051
by Mary Ann Fraser
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Fraser relates how Major John Wesley Powell and a crew of nine men left the Wyoming Territory to explore the Colorado River and the Grand Canyon in 1869. She uses Powell's journals to depict the dangers and excitement of the three-month journey, in which several men and two boats were lost. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Joan of Arc RC 47063
by Diane Stanley
read by Nancy Kronenfeld
1 cassette
Biography of the unschooled peasant girl who inspired the Medieval French army to victories over the English. Stanley provides historical background that led Joan to follow her religious visions and become a soldier. Although burned at the stake as a heretic in 1431, Joan of Arc was canonized by the Catholic Church in 1920. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Bone Poems RC 47161
by Jeff Moss
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Presents facts and fantasies about dinosaurs and prehistoric times, mostly in poems but also in two short stories and a math quiz. Moss even provides "A (Mostly) Dinosaur Alphabet." For grades 3-6. 1997.

How the Wolf Became the Dog RC 47211
by John Zeaman
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Explores the domestication of dogs from ancient times to the present. Covers history and breeding information, and explains why dogs are man's best friend. Includes a glossary. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Roller Coasters; or, I Had So Much Fun, I Almost Puked RC 47227
by Nick Cook
read by Bob Kuhn
1 cassette
Traces the history and design of roller coasters from the earliest version in Russia in the 1400s to modifications in France and their development in the United States from wooden to steel construction. Explains the physics of roller coaster rides and the effects on the human body. Offers tips for achieving a scarier ride. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Pharmacy in the Forest: How Medicines Are Found in the Natural World RC 47229
by Fred Powledge
read by Lindsay Ellison
1 cassette
Discussion of the origins of medicine from plants or natural products growing in forests around the world. Presents examples of how treatments are developed and tested. Explains how scientists rely on the knowledge of local remedies to manufacture medicines bought in pharmacies. For grades 4-7. 1998.

The Millennium RC 47231
by Daniel Cohen
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
The author explains the historical and religious significance of the year 2000—planned celebrations, the events of the previous millennium change, and how the new date will affect computers. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1998.

Red Scarf Girl: A Memoir of the Cultural Revolution RC 47288
by Ji-li Jiang
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Jiang recounts her experiences from age twelve through fourteen when Chairman Mao declared the Cultural Revolution in China. The government denounced her family as landowners, forcing her to choose between Communism and her beloved family. She describes the sacrifices, hardships, and suffering of that period. For grades 6-9. 1997.

Samuel Adams: The Father of American Independence RC 47345
by Dennis Brindell Fradin
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
Biography of the Massachusetts colonist who encouraged American independence. Covers his family background, his education at Harvard—where he chose politics as a career, his efforts to rouse the colonists against British injustice, and his role in United States history. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Popcorn: Poems RC 47363
by James Stevenson
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Thirty-two poems that capture daily life in a small seaside town. Driftwood is scattered along the beach; a picnic table sits empty awaiting the next time it is covered with hot dogs and paper plates. Chelsea the dog awaits her breakfast; an empty crab shell lies dry and hollow on the sand; and in late December, people dig for clams in the mud. For grades 2-4. 1998.

C.S. Lewis: Christian and Storyteller RC 47372
by Beatrice Gormley
read by Don Feldheim
1 cassette
A biography of the creator of the Chronicles of Narnia series. Describes his childhood in Ireland, his education in England, his relationships with family and friends, and his commitment to Christianity. Traces his development as a writer from the years when he and his brother wrote about talking animals in an imaginary realm. For grades 6-9. 1998.

Over the Top of the World: Explorer Will Steger's Trek across the Arctic RC 47378
by Will Steger and Jon Bowermaster
read by Norm Thibeault
1 cassette
Recounts Steger's 1995 trip over the North Pole by dogsled and canoe. Steger's journey begins in Siberia with six teammates, thirty-three dogs, and two tons of gear. His journal entries detail daily events, weather conditions, setbacks, dog problems, and human difficulties in successfully mounting the expedition. Grades 4-7. 1997.

Buddha RC 47564
by Demi
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
An account of Buddha's life from the prophecies before his birth to his physical death at age eighty. Describes his relationships with his parents, wife, and child, and the lifelong jealous rivalry of his cousin Devadatta. Explains how the young man Siddhartha meditated, sought enlightenment, and eventually became Buddha. Includes two of his teaching parables. For grades 4-7. 1996.

Ride the Wind: Airborne Journeys of Animals and Plants RC 47565
by Seymour Simon
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Discusses the migrations—seasonal journeys—of various birds, butterflies, locusts, spiders, and bats. Presents reasons for the move, the influence of the seasons, and how flight is accomplished. Includes brief mention of seeds that are also air travelers. For grades 3-6. 1997.

"We Have Conquered Pain": The Discovery of Anesthesia RC 47566
by Dennis Brindell Fradin
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
An account of the nineteenth-century discovery of anesthesia, which revolutionized the practice of medicine. Traces the lives and contributions of four American doctors, each of whom claimed the discovery in a bitter dispute that led to tragic ends for all involved. For grades 6-9. 1996.

Ultimate Soccer RC 47581
by Ivor Baddiel
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Presents a brief background of the game of soccer, followed by information on rules, techniques, formations, and championships. Lists top goalscorers and summarizes achievements of outstanding national teams. Profiles twelve of the greatest players. Traces the history of the FIFA World Cup. Includes a "Test Your Knowledge" quiz. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1998.

Where Am I? The Story of Maps and Navigation RC 47623
by A.G. Smith
read by Norm Thibeault
1 cassette
A history of how people learned to identify their physical location in the world. Traces the development of maps from birch bark and clay tablets dated 2300 B.C. to the techniques of aerial photography. Follows navigational skills from Eratosthenes's astronomical experiments to the discovery of the compass and the use of satellites. For grades 5-8. 1997.

Mud Matters RC 47776
by Jennifer Owings Dewey
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
A mud lover reminisces about her experiences with different kinds of mud. Recalls encounters with Zuni Mudhead dancers and explains the Hopi custom of mudslinging between future in-laws. Discusses wasps' and swallows' home-building activities and the author's construction of an adobe brick oven. For grades 3-6. 1998.

The Importance of Charles Dickens RC 47802
by Eleanor H. Ayer
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Traces the life and achievements of the author of *David Copperfield, Oliver Twist, A Christmas Carol, A Tale of Two Cities*, and *Great Expectations*. Avers that among the best-known English authors of all time, "Charles Dickens ranks at the top with William Shakespeare." For grades 6-9. 1998.

The Moon RC 47803
by Paulette Bourgeois
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Legends and facts about Earth's satellite, the Moon. In a question-and-answer format, presents information about the Moon's physical properties and its effect on Earth. Provides a brief account of astronauts landing on the Moon. For grades 2-4. 1995.

The Sun RC 47804
by Paulette Bourgeois
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Legends and facts about Earth's star,

the Sun. In a question-and-answer format, provides information about the seasons, eclipses, sunlight, and the sun's energy. For grades 2-4. 1995.

Cassettes Fiction

Twelve Impossible Things before Breakfast: Stories RC 45662
by Jane Yolen
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
A collection of twelve fantasy stories. Some are modern versions of well-known tales: "Tough Alice" is a variation on Alice in Wonderland, "The Bridge's Complaint" comes from *The Three Billygoats Gruff*, and "Lost Girls" is based on *Peter Pan*. Others include characters from a fairy to a sea monster to aliens. For grades 5-8. 1997.

Blue Sky, Butterfly RC 45664
by Jean Van Leeuwen
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Eleven-year-old Twig is devastated by her parents' separation. Her mother mopes around the house all day; the laundry is piling up; and the refrigerator is empty. Her older brother is almost never home and stays in his room when he is, and her father has his own apartment, which Twig refuses to visit. Life is difficult—until Grandma Ruthie arrives. For grades 4-7. 1996.

Book of Enchantments RC 46004
by Patricia C. Wrede
read by Celeste Lawson
2 cassettes
A fantasy collection of ten stories. There are wizards, kings, unicorns, and roses, while some tales have a modern twist. In "Roses by Moonlight," the roses offer glimpses of the future, but Adrian hesitates to choose one. In "Utensile Strength," instead of a sword, there is an enchanted frying pan, which finds its proper owner. For grades 4-7. 1996.

Heads or Tails: Stories from the Sixth Grade RC 46344
by Jack Gantos
read by Dick Jenkins
1 cassette
A new year in yet another new school finds Jack having problems with his teacher, his handwriting, and the girl he likes on the safety patrol. At home Jack demands a diary like his older sister's and worries about rabies from a dog bite, alligators in the canal, and his father's bad luck with jobs. But Jack is plucky and survives it all. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Three Tales of My Father's Dragon: *My Father's Dragon*; *Elmer and the Dragon*; *The Dragons of Blueland* RC 46345
by Ruth Stiles Gannett
read by Gregory Ricks
1 cassette
Nine-year-old Elmer rescues Boris, a baby flying dragon, from the ferocious animals holding him prisoner on Wild Island. The grateful Boris promises to fly Elmer back home, but Boris needs Elmer's help again before rejoining his dragon family. Tales originally published in 1949–1951. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Keeper of the Light RC 46595
by Patricia Curtis Pfitsch
read by Anne Mullen
1 cassette
Faith Sutton grows up at Port Henry Lighthouse on Lake Superior in the late 1800s. When her father dies rescuing

sailors during a storm, Faith takes pride in keeping the light burning. When the Lighthouse Board sends a new keeper, Faith and her family return to the city. Yet Faith worries about the light, and when her mother's life is endangered, Faith returns to Port Henry. For grades 5-8. 1997.

The Vandemark Mummy RC 47047
by Cynthia Voigt
read by Bruce Nelson
2 cassettes
A quiet summer in a new place turns dangerous when not only an Egyptian mummy disappears, but also Althea, daughter of the recently appointed curator of the Egyptian collection. Althea's younger brother, Phineas, wants to solve the case, but more urgently wants to find Althea. Some strong language. For grades 5-8. 1991.

Alice Rose and Sam RC 47050
by Kathryn Lasky
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
1860s; Virginia City, Nevada. Twelve-year-old Alice Rose Tucker, the daughter of the local newspaper editor, hates her ugly mining town with its drunks, dance girls, and hired killers. When reporter Samuel Clemens comes to work for her father, Alice Rose finds a sympathetic ear. After she witnesses a murder, Clemens helps her unveil a Confederate conspiracy. For grades 4-7. 1998.

The Stray RC 47052
by Dick King-Smith
read by Arnie Warren
1 cassette
After running away from an old folks' home on her seventy-fifth birthday, Henrietta Hickathrift goes to the beach. There she sees a stray dog and writes in the sand, "I am a stray old woman." Her words lead to happy results for both of them. For grades 2-4. 1996.

The Trophy RC 47053
by Dean Hughes
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Ten-year-old Danny Williams's mechanic father brags about his own basketball skills, but never helps Danny, who's playing his first season. Instead his dad drinks and complains about growing up as a Mormon bishop's son. Danny finally admits to his friend Alan's father, a Mormon bishop, that he doesn't think his father loves him. For grades 4-6. 1994.

The Storyteller's Daughter RC 47057
by Jean Thesman
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
It is the depression, and Quinn's widely admired father, Beau John, has lost his Seattle job and now works on the docks. Quinn and her extended family eagerly await Beau John's weekly visits home. But after overhearing a startling conversation, Quinn sees her father in a different light and begins to fear for his safety. For grades 5-8. 1997.

Jenius: The Amazing Guinea Pig RC 47062
by Dick King-Smith
read by Janet Daley
1 cassette
Judy's favorite animals are guinea pigs, and she wants to prove how smart they are. When a new baby guinea pig is born, she names him Jenius and begins teaching him tricks. But at school on pets' day, Jenius embarrasses Judy. For grades 2-4. 1996.

Verdi RC 47072
by Janell Cannon
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Verdi is a bright yellow baby python with bold stripes that zigzag down his back. He likes his colors and isn't in a hurry to grow up big and green like the older snakes. So Verdi sets off through the forest hoping to find a way to stay the way he is. For grades K-3. 1997.

The Giant Carrot RC 47131
by Jan Peck
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
When Papa Joe plants a carrot, each person in the family wants to make a different carrot dish from it. The carrot grows extra big when sweet Little Isabelle gives it her special attention. Carrot pudding recipe included. Based on a Russian folktale. For grades K-3. 1998.

Mr. Semolina-Semolinus RC 47139
retold by Anthony L. Manna and Christodoula Mitakidou
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Princess Areti of Greece has many suitors, but she does not like any of them. She creates her own man by mixing together almonds, sugar, and semolina, and praying for forty days and nights. Finally she has a man who is "five-times beautiful and ten-times kind," and she calls him Mr. Semolina-Semolinus. Everything is fine until a wicked queen learns about him. For grades K-3. 1997.

Sir Galahad, Mr. Longfellow, and Me RC 47223
by Betty Horvath
read by Liz Solar
1 cassette
When Emily starts the sixth grade in 1938 in her Missouri school, she gets some big surprises. Her best school friend has moved, and the new teacher is a man. When Emily fibs to him that she writes poetry, her teacher asks her to bring in a poem—every day. For grades 3-6. 1998.

No Turning Back: A Novel of South Africa RC 47265
by Beverley Naidoo
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Sipho decides that he will take his chances on the streets of Johannesburg rather than risk more beatings from his new stepfather. Sipho meets other runaway boys, who teach him the basics of survival. He learns there are worse people than cruel stepfathers, but he also finds reasons to hope for the future. For grades 5-8. 1995.

The Lost Years of Merlin: The Lost Years of Merlin, Book 1 RC 47306
by T.A. Barron
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes
The youthful Merlin awakes in the surf with no memory. The healer Branwen claims to be his mother and cares for him, calling him Emrys. He gradually becomes aware of his special powers and determines to find his true identity. Prequel to *The Seven Songs of Merlin (RC 47307)*. For grades 5-8. 1996.

The Wild Kid RC 47333
by Harry Mazer
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Sammy, a twelve-year-old with Down syndrome, leaves his bike unlocked and somebody takes it. Chasing the thief, Sammy becomes lost in the woods. A

boy hiding from the authorities finds Sammy, but won't help him get home because he's afraid Sammy will tell. The two boys learn to coexist in the wild. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Play Me a Story: Nine Tales about Musical Instruments RC 47375
by Naomi Adler
read by Mary Ann Nichols
1 cassette
A collection of nine folktales. Each features a musical instrument typical of the country where the story is told: a harp from Ireland, a drum from South Africa, and a balalaika from Russia. For grades 3-6. 1997.

Habibi RC 47389
by Naomi Shihab Nye
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Liyana Abboud lived happily in the United States, her mother's country, until age fourteen. Then her father moves the family to Jerusalem, his home. There she finds a colorful world, where her welcoming Palestinian relatives speak Arabic; even their clothes and food are intriguing. When she meets a Jewish boy, she learns about social tensions in Israel. For grades 5-8. 1997.

Old Yeller RC 47404
by Fred Gipson
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette (Reissue)
1860s Texas. Fourteen-year-old Travis at first resents the big, yellow stray dog that hangs around his home, but he comes to love and depend on him. With his father away on a cattle drive, Travis is the man of the house and looks to Old Yeller for help and protection. For grades 5-8. 1956.

Across the Wide and Lonesome Prairie: The Oregon Trail Diary of Hattie Campbell RC 47406
by Kristiana Gregory
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
In 1847 Hattie is given a diary for her thirteenth birthday. When her family takes a March-to-October journey from Missouri to Oregon, she keeps an account of the dangerous and tedious trip —its hardships and deaths, as well as the joyful events that affect the group. An epilogue follows the lives of fellow travelers up to 1906. For grades 4-7. 1997.

Sons of Liberty RC 47412
by Adele Griffin
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Rock and his brother Cliff face a father who is a bully and a mother who won't leave the house. Meanwhile, their neighbor Liza is physically abused. After Rock and Cliff help Liza run away, Cliff convinces their mother that they have to leave and seek help. Rock has to decide whether to go or stay. Some violence. For grades 5-8. 1997.

Summer Reading Is Killing Me! The Time Warp Trio RC 47435
by Jon Scieszka
read by Ray Hagen
1 cassette
Summer vacation is supposed to mean no more reading. But Fred, Sam, and Joe all have to read four books during the summer. Unfortunately Joe has put their reading list inside The Book his uncle gave him for his birthday. Opening it means trouble. Suddenly the boys finds themselves in a world gone "terribly, mixed-uply, summer-reading-listly wrong." For grades 3-6. 1998.

The Arabian Nights RC 47436
retold by Neil Philip
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
Once there was a king who married a new bride every night and had her beheaded the next morning. When Sheherazade marries this king, she tells him such wonderful stories that he spares her life each day to hear another. Fifteen of her tales are retold here. For grades 4-7. 1994.

MapHead RC 47476
by Lesley Howarth
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
MapHead and his father travel from the Subtle World to England in search of MapHead's mother. He hopes to connect with her through entering the school that his human half-brother attends. But learning to act like a normal kid is quite a challenge. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Hooray for Diffendoofer Day! RC 47527
by Dr. Seuss and Jack Prelutsky
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
The teachers at Diffendoofer School are different: they teach listening, smelling, laughing, and even yelling. But can their pupils pass the special test to show their school is the best? Also presents the history of this book, begun by Dr. Seuss and completed by Jack Prelutsky. For grades K-3 and older readers. 1998.

The Belonging Place RC 47528
by Jean Little
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
In the mid-nineteenth century, the Gordon family moves from Scotland to Canada bringing their adopted daughter, Elspet, with them. When Elspet breaks her leg, Granny Ross suggests that Elspet write down her life story to keep occupied. She reflects on her experiences living with different people in various places and how she gradually realized what it means to belong. For grades 4-7. 1997.

How the Grinch Stole Christmas RC 47536
by Dr. Seuss
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette (Reissue)
The Grinch, whose heart is two sizes too small, tries to abolish Christmas by stealing all the presents from the people in the valley. For grades K-3. 1957.

Sun and Spoon RC 47597
by Kevin Henkes
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
After the death of his beloved grandmother, ten-year-old Spoon pockets Gram's special deck of solitaire cards as a keepsake. When his grandfather becomes nostalgic and searches for the missing cards, Spoon returns the deck in exchange for another memento with a very special meaning. For grades 4-7. 1997.

Bandit's Moon RC 47604
by Sid Fleischman
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Annyrose's mother is dead, and her brother has left her at a ranch while he hunts for gold. But Annyrose runs away with the outlaw Wakeen. Discovering he is really Joaquín Murieta, the Robin Hood of the California Gold Rush, Annyrose must decide if she can stay with a thief. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Ben and Me: A New and Astonishing Life of Benjamin Franklin as Written by His Good Mouse Amos RC 47613
by Robert Lawson
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette (Reissue)
In 1745 Amos, a church mouse, leaves his home to find a better place to live. He ends up with Benjamin Franklin and becomes his confidant and traveling companion. When Franklin dies, many writers extol his achievements, but Amos decides to set the record straight with his own accounts. For grades 5-8. 1939.

Happy Birthday, Josefina! A Springtime Story RC 47678
by Valerie Tripp
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Josefina will soon be ten, and her family has several things to celebrate. Josefina begins raising a baby goat and helping her godmother Tía Magdalena—a healer. It looks like Josefina may be a healer, too. Sequel to *Josefina's Surprise (RC 45563)*. For grades 2-4. 1998.

Josefina Saves the Day: A Summer Story RC 47679
by Valerie Tripp
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Josefina and her family, in Santa Fe, await the arrival of wagon trains to trade blankets and mules for goods they need. Patrick O'Toole, a wagon scout, promises to handle the family's transactions, but he suddenly disappears. Sequel to *Happy Birthday, Josefina (RC 47678)*. For grades 2-4. 1998.

Changes for Josefina: A Winter Story RC 47680
by Valerie Tripp
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Following the family's fiesta on the Feast of the Three Kings, Tía Dolores announces she must return home. But knowing Tía and her papá love each other, Josefina begins making plans. Sequel to *Josefina Saves the Day (RC 47679)*. For grades 2-4. 1998.

Floating Home RC 47757
by David Getz
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Maxine's teacher asks her class to look at their homes in a new way and to draw what they see. One classmate surveys his house from a tree and another views hers from the grass. But Maxine boards a space shuttle and experiences the thrills of dressing as an astronaut, lifting off, and viewing Earth from above. For grades K-3. 1997.

Yang the Third and Her Impossible Family RC 47759
by Lensey Namioka
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
This sequel to *Yang the Youngest and His Terrible Ear (RC 36736)* features the third daughter, Mary. Mortified by her mother's social mistakes in front of a new friend, Mary seeks acceptance by taking a kitten from the girl. But Mary has to hide the pet from her family. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Freaky Friday RC 47767
by Mary Rodgers
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette (Reissue)
After thirteen-year-old Annabel An-

drews and her mother have a heated argument over freedom and responsibility, Annabel wakes up on a Friday morning and realizes she has turned into her mother. For grades 5-8. 1972.

Moby Dick; or, The White Whale RC 47779
retold by Geraldine McCaughrean
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
A classic sea adventure. Ishmael recounts the last voyage of the whaling ship Pequod and how the one-legged Captain Ahab is obsessed with finding the white whale Moby Dick. A retelling of Herman Melville's novel originally published in 1851. For grades 5-8. 1996.

The Dog with Golden Eyes RC 47789
by Frances Wilbur
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
When lonely thirteen-year-old Cassie finds a large white dog in her backyard, she begins to feed him secretly. She does odd jobs for her neighbors to earn dog-food money. Then she discovers that her pet is really a wolf and determines to save it from capture. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Sooner RC 47841
by Patricia Calvert
read by John Stratton
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Bigger (RC 39559)*, thirteen-year-old Tyler Bohannon has learned that his father will not be returning from the Civil War and takes on his new role as head of the household, with help from the Snepp family. The siblings now have "Sooner," the offspring of Bigger—the abused dog Tyler adopted—to keep them company. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1998.

The Exiles in Love RC 47843
by Hilary McKay
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
1 cassette
In this sequel to *The Exiles at Home (RC 40530)*, the Conroy sisters—especially Ruth—are dealing with numerous schoolgirl crushes. Big Grandma calls it the family failing and tries to help by inviting a French boy to visit. For grades 4-7. 1996.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

El Plan de Negocios: Guía Completa para Definir Su Producto, Servicio, Mercado, y Financiamento RC 46980
por David H. Bangs Jr.
leído por Maria Pino
2 cassettes
Una guía práctica para empresas grandes o pequeñas. Presenta paso por paso las reglas para elaborar planes de negocio y propuestos de financiamiento. Incluye ejemplos y hojas de trabajo. (Step-by-step planning guide for businesses both big and small in writing a business plan and a financial proposal. Includes samples and work sheets.) 1997.

Diccionario del Negocio Inmobiliario: Guía Español-Inglés/Inglés-Español de Términos de Mayor Uso en Norte, Centro, y Sudamérica RC 46984
por Marcelo Salles Bergés y Chapital
leído por Peter Gil
2 cassettes
Un vocabulario actualizado que ofrece más de mil términos y expresiones utilizados en negocios inmobiliarios de Norte, Centro, y Sudamérica. En inglés y español. (An up-to-date bilingual vocabulary that presents more than one thousand terms and expressions used in the real estate industry in North and South America. In English and Spanish.) 1997.

La Guerra de Sucesión RC 46985
por Pedro Voltes
leído por Juan Ramirez
3 cassettes
Un historiador español describe la Guerra de Sucesión del siglo dieciocho en que lucharon los Borbones de Francia contra los Habsburgos de Austria con el fin de ceñirse la Corona española. Voltes apunta los eventos precipitantes de la guerra así como sus batallas y personajes. Es por esta guerra que nace el concepto político de "equilibrio entre potencias." (A Spanish historian describes the eighteenth-century War of the Spanish Succession that pitted the Bourbon dynasty of France against the Austrian Hapsburgs for possession of the Spanish Crown. Voltes details the events leading up to the war and the numerous battles and personages of the conflict that established the concept of the "balance of powers" in modern European politics.) 1990.

Afrodita: Cuentos, Recetas, y Otros Afrodisíacos RC 46986
por Isabel Allende
leído por Maria Pino
3 cassettes
La famosa autora chilena mezcla comida y amor erótico en estos cuentos y anécdotas. Allende afirma que apetito y sexo son los grandes motores de la historia, y reflexiona sobre el papel de sexo y comida en su propria vida así como en diferentes culturas y a través de la historia. Incluye recetas de platos que tienen sabor a afrodisíaco. (Erotic love and food are blended in these reminiscences by the famous Chilean author. Suggesting that appetites for food and sex are the great moving forces of history, Allende reflects on the relationship between the two in different cultures and throughout history. Includes recipes for dishes with aphrodisiac reputations.) 1997.

Bailando en Silencio: Escenas de una Niñez Puertorriqueña RC 46989
por Judith Ortiz Cofer
leído por Maria Pino
1 cassette
La autora presenta narraciones y poesías que recuerdan la niñez que pasó viajando entre Paterson, New Jersey, y su tierra natal de Puerto Rico. Enfocándose en la mezcla de dos idiomas y dos culturas, Ortiz Cofer narra las experiencias de su vida como niña transformándose en mujer. (In short narrative pieces and poetry, the author recalls her childhood shuttling between Paterson, New Jersey, and her native Puerto Rico. The two cultures and languages crosscut her experiences as a girl moving into womanhood.) 1997.

El Astillero RC 46991
por Juan Carlos Onetti
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Larsen, cincuentón y cínico, llega a trabajar en un astillero de un polvoriento pueblo. Es una empresa ruinosa sin trabajo ni clientes, pero con dos gerentes. En esta fantasmagórico lugar, Larsen conoce a tres mujeres con quienes emprende un devastador viaje espiritual para salvar el astillero y redimir unas ilusiones de su vida. (Cynical, fiftyish Larsen comes to work in a shipyard in a small town. It is a run-down operation with two managers but no work or clients. He meets three women with whom he begins an intense spiritual journey to redeem his life and save the shipyard, an effort that appears to be doomed from the start.) 1961.

Encuentro Amoroso RC 46993
por Audra Adams
leído por Maria Pino
1 cassette
Después de un encuentro amoroso, Rachel Morgan descubre que ha concebido al hijo de un hombre del que ni siquiera se acordaba. Ahora se ve obligada a enfrentarse a un nuevo futuro con un bebé. Mientras tanto, Reid James, el padre del bebé, no ha olvidado a Rachel, y quiere más que el recuerdo de aquella noche de amor. Pero Rachel es una mujer orgullosa, y convencerle que formara una familia con él no sería una tarea facíl. Contiene descripciones de índole sexual. (After a night of passion with a total stranger, Rachel Morgan discovers she is pregnant, and she knows her life is changed forever. Meanwhile, Reid James, the father of her child, has not forgotten Rachel, and he wants more than the memory of that night of love. But Rachel is a proud woman, and their final union will not be an easy task. Some descriptions of sex.) 1995.

Talking Book Magazines

Discs

These free direct-circulation magazines are produced for NLS. To be put on the mailing list, contact your cooperating library.

American Heritage (8 issues)
Analog Science Fiction and Fact (13 issues)
Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (bimonthly)
Diabetes Forecast (monthly)
The Musical Mainstream (quarterly)
The Nation (47 issues)
National Geographic (monthly)
National Review (biweekly)
Quarterly Music Magazine (quarterly)
Talking Book Topics (bimonthly)
U.S. News and World Report (weekly)

Cassette

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The Atlantic Monthly (monthly)
Das Beste aus *Reader's Digest* (monthly)
Bon Appétit (monthly)
Buenhogar (monthly)
Choice Magazine Listening (on loan from cooperating libraries, bimonthly)
Civilization: The Magazine of the Library of Congress (bimonthly)
Consumer Reports (monthly)
Cricket (for children, on one cassette with **National Geographic World,** monthly)
Discover (monthly)
Ebony (monthly)
Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)
Good Houskeeping (monthly plus special issues)
Health and Nutrition Newsletters (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, Healthline, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty,** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter,** monthly)
Le Journal Français (monthly)
Magazine of the Month (monthly)
Money (monthly plus special issues)
National Geographic World (for children and teens, on one cassette with **Cricket,** monthly)
New Choices: Living Even Better after Fifty (10 issues)
The *New York Times* Book Review (weekly)
Outdoor Life (monthly)
People Weekly (weekly)
QST (monthly)
Selecciones del Reader's Digest (monthly)
Sélections du Reader's Digest (monthly)
Seventeen (monthly)
Smart Computing (monthly)
Spider: The Magazine for Children (monthly)
Sports Illustrated (weekly plus special issues)
Sports Illustrated for Kids (monthly)
Stereo Review's Sound and Vision (10 issues)
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The American Foundation for the Blind (AFB) has announced the winners of the Alexander Scourby Narrator of the Year awards for 2000. Recipients this year are Graci Ragsdale (Insight for the Blind) for fiction, Tom Martin (AFB) for classical fiction, and James DeLotel (American Printing House for the Blind) for nonfiction.

NLS narrator Ray Hagen is being honored with an Alexander Scourby special lifetime achievement award for excellence. Hagen has recorded more than 400 titles over twenty-seven years and compiled two dictionaries for talking-book narrators. The two publications, *Say How? A Pronunciation Guide to Names of Public Figures* and *The ABC Book: Acronyms, Brand Names, and Corporations,* are updated every six months and distributed to all NLS studios.

The Alexander Scourby awards were established in 1986 in memory of the acclaimed talking-book narrator who died in 1985.

Remembering narrator David Palmer

The American Printing House for the Blind announces the death of David Palmer on April 25. David recorded several hundred books for the NLS collection over twenty years. Most of his fan mail was for his narration of mysteries and ghost stories. He also recorded classic American and British fiction and bestsellers; he had recently finished Tolkien's Lord of the Rings trilogy.

Palmer was active in professional and academic theater, radio, and television in the Louisville area.

Reminder: FD magazines, including *TBT* on FD, to end

Just a reminder: *Talking Book Topics (TBT)* is among the recorded magazines and periodicals being shifted from flexible-disc to audio-cassette format in January 2001. Flexible-disc recordings of *TBT* will not be produced after December 2000. *TBT* will continue to be available in five other formats—large print, audio cassette. computer diskette, online through the NLS web site <www.loc.gov/nls>, and as an abridged edition that is included in each braille issue of *Braille Book Review.* Patrons who now receive *TBT* on flexible disc will automatically receive cassette recordings of the publication unless they request another format through their network library.

Newsstand

The following announcements may be of interest to readers. The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped reserves the right to publish announcements selectively, as space permits. Items mentioned, however, are not part of the NLS program, and their listing does not imply endorsement.

Talking Book Marker available. Jim Daily, a patron in Butte, Montana, invites orders and inquiries concerning a switch he has devised that serves as a cassette bookmark. The switch plugs into the cassette player and is held in the hand as an individual listens to the recording. Releasing the switch causes the tape to stop. For further information, contact Jim Daily at (406) 782-2202, e-mail jandmdaily@yahoo.com, or web site <www.angelfire.com/mt/jdaily>, or write to The Talking Book Marker (TBM), 835 Emma, Butte, MT 59701. The cost is $27.95, including shipping and handling.

International affairs information on tape. *Current History* magazine offers a series of audio cassettes covering international trends, world regions, and events in recent history. Topics covered include: Volume 1—The Disintegration of the Soviet Union; Volume 2—China Rising: A Superpower Awakes; Volume 3—The Fundamentalist Challenge in the Middle East; Volume 4—Latin America: Open for Business; Volume 5—The Cold War: Beginnings; Volume 6—The Pacific Century; Volume 7—The Global Economy; and Volume 8—Narcopolitics.

For further information, call toll-free 1-800-726-4464 or contact Current History, 4225 Main Street, Philadelphia, PA 19127. Outside the USA call (215) 482-4464. The Internet web site is <http://www.currenthistory.com>.

The cost of each tape is $5.95; shipping and handling are free to US addresses.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

The True Story of the Novel RC 43142
by Margaret Anne Doody
read by Robert Blumenfeld
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Vanderbilt University professor propounds the idea that the novel was not invented by the English but has a longer, broader history that includes non-Western writers and a range of themes. A scholarly presentation incorporating allusions to Greek and Roman mythology, writings of the Middle Ages and the Renaissance, and more. 1996.

Hit Me with Music: How to Start, Manage, Record, and Perform with Your Own Rock Band RC 43650
by Stephanie Powell
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Handbook on organizing and managing one's own rock music group. Powell offers both creative and technical tips on all phases of the music business: using public address systems; mixing live music; utilizing recording studios; promoting a band; negotiating contracts; and avoiding the perils of the business. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

Too Young to Travel Abroad: Journal of a Year of European Travel in 1856–7 RC 45079
by Agnes Woolsey
read by Suzanne Toren
3 cassettes
The reflections and observations of an eighteen-year-old on the "grand tour" through Europe in 1856. The author's log provides a lucid account of the historical and cultural sites visited on her year-long journey, including the Coliseum, the Sistine Chapel, and the Louvre. 1862.

Run to the Mountain: The Story of a Vocation; the Journals of Thomas Merton, Volume 1, 1939–1941 RC 45953
by Thomas Merton
read by Gordon Gould
5 cassettes
This volume of Merton's diaries recalls events as America stands on the brink of war and the author, on the threshold of a religious vocation. Entries describe the intellectual and quotidian life of the young writer and college instructor, and

his spiritual journey from the secular world to monastic seclusion. 1995.

A Thousand Miles from Nowhere: Trucking Two Continents RC 46328
by Graham Coster
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
An account of life on the road for long-haul truckers. Describes a journey carrying beer and ice cream from England to Russia, as well as coast-to-coast trips across the United States. Depicts the trucking subculture with its language, values, diet, music, and lore. Strong language. 1995.

The American Opera Singer: The Lives and Adventures of America's Great Singers in Opera and Concert, from 1825 to the Present RC 46444
by Peter G. Davis
read by Frank Coffee
5 cassettes
Chronicles the arrival of Italian opera in the United States and the efforts of American singers to transform a foreign art form into a part of the national culture. Traces the evolution of this musical style and its demands on the voice. Includes biographical sketches and anecdotes about leading singers. 1997.

Hijacked: The True Story of the Heroes of Flight 705 RC 46714
by Dave Hirschman
read by Don Emmick
2 cassettes
An account of the 1994 hijacking of a FedEx cargo jet by a disgruntled employee, who was flying as a passenger. Describes the tense moments when he attacked and seriously injured the flight crew, forcing them to take extreme measures to subdue their assailant and land the plane safely. Strong language and violence. 1997.

Becoming Mae West RC 46768
by Emily Wortis Leider
read by Susan McInerney
4 cassettes
Biography of the film star, who had more than thirty years of experience in burlesque, vaudeville, and plays before heading for Hollywood in 1932. West had also been her own writer and producer in New York and came to Paramount Studios demanding star treatment. After achieving fame and fortune, the Hays Office successfully censored West's career in the late 1930s. 1997.

May God Have Mercy: A True Story of Crime and Punishment RC 46778
by John C. Tucker
read by Ray Hagen
3 cassettes
Chronicles the 1981 rape and murder case of Roger Coleman, who was executed in Virginia's electric chair in 1992. Examines the circumstances and evidence and concludes that the accused was poorly represented and may well have been wrongly convicted. Strong language and violence. 1997.

Kundun: A Biography of the Family of the Dalai Lama RC 46813
by Mary Craig
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Describes the family of the fourteenth Dalai Lama and the importance of their support for him, especially during the religious and political turmoil in Tibet after the 1950s. Explains local Buddhist traditions and cultural history; recounts the family's move from their rural village to live as royalty in Lhasa and their

exile from their country as refugees. 1997.

The Merck Manual of Medical Information: Home Edition RC 46894
edited by Robert Berkow
read by Lou Harpenau
21 cassettes in 4 containers
A consumer version, in everyday language, of the manual used by doctors, nurses, and pharmacists. Discusses disease of all parts of the human body and drugs used in treatment. Includes sections on men's, women's, and children's health issues and an appendix covering legal issues, medical tests, and resources for help. 1997.

Bogart RC 46921
by A.M. Sperber and Eric Lax
read by Ray Hagen
5 cassettes
Description of movie star Humphrey Bogart's life and times. Discusses his childhood and marriages, the Hollywood studio system, and the House Un-American Activities Committee of the 1950s. 1997.

A Short History of Byzantium RC 47025
by John Julius Norwich
read by Lindsay Ellison
5 cassettes
Condensed from a three-volume work. The author describes the civilization of Byzantium, founded in A.D. 330 by Constantine the Great, as the Roman Empire of the East. It survived until being conquered by the Ottoman Turks in 1453. During those thousand years, the Byzantines preserved the heritage of Greece and Rome, protected Europe from eastern invasion, and created magnificent art. 1997.

William Shakespeare: A Compact Documentary Life RC 47027
by S. Schoenbaum
read by Bob Kuhn
3 cassettes
Schoenbaum presents a scholarly biography based on written records. Recounts Shakespeare's simple life story as evidenced in documents found in Stratford, where he was born, raised, and died, and in London, where he gained his livelihood. 1977.

Eddy Arnold: Pioneer of the Nashville Sound RC 47048
by Michael Streissguth
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Recounts the life of country singer Richard Edward (Eddy) Arnold from his birth in Tennessee in 1918. Discusses Arnold's interest in playing the guitar at an early age, his first radio appearance while still in high school, his rise to fame, and his struggle to remain popular as Elvis Presley and rock-and-roll music began to overtake country music in the 1960s. 1997.

Ake: The Years of Childhood RC 47295
by Wole Soyinka
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
A lyrical memoir of boyhood experiences in the Nigerian village of Ake by the 1986 recipient of the Nobel Prize for Literature. Utilizing his novelist's techniques of narrative and dialog, Soyinka describes the mixture of traditional African customs and Christian influences that shaped his first eleven years. 1981.

Mother Teresa: A Complete Authorized Biography RC 47315
by Kathryn Spink
read by Yolande Bavan
3 cassettes
The life of the nun who was born Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu in Skopje, Macedonia, in 1910. Mother Teresa's work in Calcutta—helping the poor, those with leprosy and other illnesses, and abandoned and orphaned children—earned her the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979 and worldwide recognition long before her death in 1997. 1997.

Age and Guile Beat Youth, Innocence, and a Bad Haircut RC 47321
by P.J. O'Rourke
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Twenty-five years of essays from the journalist's past. Evolving from a drug-using hippie to a right-wing conservative, O'Rourke writes about everything from automobiles in "The Ultimate Politically Incorrect Car" to politics in "Whitewater." Some strong language. 1995.

The Swiss, the Gold, and the Dead RC 47323
by Jean Ziegler
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Swiss citizen Ziegler presents his views of his country's role in financing Hitler's regime. Topics include the use of Swiss banks to fence looted gold, Switzerland's tax policies aimed at Jews in the country, the denial of political asylum to others, and arms sales to Germany. An afterword updates the book through November 1997. 1998.

War in the Air: True Accounts of the Twentieth Century's Most Dramatic Air Battles—by the Men Who Fought Them RC 47379
edited by Stephen Coonts
read by Don Feldheim
3 cassettes
Twenty-five excerpts from accounts of aerial fighting covering World War I through the Vietnam War. Includes stories by pilots from both sides of the conflicts. Some violence. 1996.

Dr. Spock's Baby and Child Care RC 47411
by Benjamin Spock and Steven Parker
read by Kerry Cundiff
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Revised and updated seventh edition of a classic work by the pediatrician who died in 1998. Written for parents of the developing child from birth through adolescence, this comprehensive handbook now includes information on such topics as a plant-based, non-dairy diet and alternative therapies. 1998.

Ithaka: A Daughter's Memoir of Being Found RC 47445
by Sarah Saffian
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
New York journalist shares her feelings about being contacted by her birth mother at the age of twenty-four. The letters between Saffian and her birth parents, who had eventually married each other and had three more children, illustrate her initial reluctance to embrace this new family and her journey to being reunited with them. 1998.

Do They Hear You When You Cry
RC 47468
by Fauziya Kassindja and
Layli Miller Bashir
read by Lisette Lecat
4 cassettes
The account of a young Muslim girl who flees from her home in Togo, West Africa, to escape female genital mutilation. Arriving illegally in the United States, Fauziya Kassindja is held for more than a year in prisons where she is further degraded. Aided by Layli Miller Bashir, a young law student, Fauziya is eventually granted asylum. 1998.

Beyond Belief: Islamic Excursions among the Converted Peoples RC 47472
by V.S. Naipaul
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
Personal accounts of people encountered by Naipaul during his travels in four non-Arab Muslim countries—Indonesia, Iran, Pakistan, and Malaysia—for five months in 1995. He contends that these stories reveal the effects of Islamic conversion on the national culture. Companion to *Among the Believers (RC 17364)*. 1998.

Days and Nights on the Grand Trunk Road RC 47507
by Anthony Weller
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
The highway adventures of an American journalist traveling the fifteen hundred miles of the Grand Trunk Road from Calcutta across northern India and Pakistan to the Khyber Pass. Weller recounts the region's religious and political history; describes the cities, countryside, and people he encounters; and conveys his joy at traveling in an area he has read much about. 1997.

Strangers among Us: How Latino Immigration Is Transforming America
RC 47514
by Roberto Suro
read by Peter Gil
3 cassettes
Examines Latino immigration to the United States—its history and the challenges it presents. Provides an overview of the individuals and communities that make up the Latino population. Proposes immigration controls, social programs, the development of new perceptions, and ethnic advocacy to enhance the assimilation of this growing minority. 1998.

Herbal Defense: Positioning Yourself to Triumph over Illness and Aging
RC 47572
by Robyn Landis
read by Kristin Allison
4 cassettes
Discusses the history of using herbs for healing. Describes how they can work with the immune system to maintain health and explains which herbs to use for a variety of conditions including arthritis, allergies, diabetes, and digestive problems. 1997.

Conquering Bladder and Prostate Problems: The Authoritative Guide for Men and Women RC 47608
by Jerry G. Blaivas
read by Andy Chappell
3 cassettes
A urologist describes common bladder problems for both sexes and prostate conditions in men. Discusses basic anatomy, symptoms, tests, diagnoses, medications, and surgery. Includes a

glossary and relevant organizations. 1998.

Trickster Makes This World: Mischief, Myth, and Art RC 47618
by Lewis Hyde
read by Barry Bernson
3 cassettes
Explores the cultural archetype of the trickster—a mischievous, disruptive agent who is given to deceit and shamelessness, ignores social boundaries, and helps make the world the way it is. Recounts myths of ancient tricksters; cites examples of modern figures who fill the role. 1998.

Damages: One Family's Legal Struggles in the World of Medicine RC 47619
by Barry Werth
read by Randy Davidson
4 cassettes
Examines the medical liability system by detailing the Sabia family's experiences surrounding the birth of their son and his stillborn twin. The surviving boy, Tony, was profoundly brain damaged and physically handicapped, but it was years later that the Sabias were advised—by a stranger—to sue. Strong language. 1998.

Great Lakes Shipwrecks and Survivals RC 47621
by William Ratigan
read by Randy Atcher
3 cassettes
History of maritime disasters on each of the North American inland seas: Lakes Michigan, Huron, Erie, Superior, and Ontario. Describes how vessels and their crews functioned during catastrophic storms. A separate section details the November 1975 wreck of the cargo ship *Edmund Fitzgerald*. 1977.

T. Rex and the Crater of Doom RC 47624
by Walter Alvarez
read by Norm Thibeault
1 cassette
A geologist recalls the first scientific proposals of the theory that a large asteroid or comet had collided with Earth sixty-five million years ago, causing the extinction of the dinosaurs. Describes the vehement debate that followed, the accumulation of evidence, and the discovery of a crater beneath the Yucatan peninsula that appears to substantiate the impact claim. 1997.

Canyon Solitude: A Woman's Solo River Journey through Grand Canyon RC 47654
by Patricia C. McCairen
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
New Yorker recounts falling in love with white-water rafting and the Grand Canyon at the age of thirty-five. This led to planning her own river trip and, when no friends were available to join her, the decision to do it alone. She describes the twenty-day voyage, the landscape, and the changes in herself brought on by the experience. 1998.

The Human Christ: The Search for the Historical Jesus RC 47662
by Charlotte Allen
read by Terence Aselford
3 cassettes
A scholarly perspective on the various historical figures and intellectual movements that have used Jesus "as a vehicle for some of the best and worst ideas of Western civilization over the past 2,000 years." Avers that Jesus-searchers have tended to emphasize an image of Jesus

that reflects their own aims and views. 1998.

In the Garden of Our Dreams: Memoirs of a Marriage RC 47675
by Shirlee Taylor Haizlip and Harold C. Haizlip
read by Faith Potts
3 cassettes
In alternating voices, a husband and wife recount the joys and sorrows of their forty-year marriage, an ongoing loving relationship. They reminisce about their first "study date" in 1957 and their lifelong commitment as an African American couple to achieving integration in U.S. society. Some strong language. Bestseller 1998.

Just Checking: Scenes from the Life of an Obsessive-Compulsive RC 47681
by Emily Colas
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
The author describes her obsessive-compulsive habits—which she calls "insanity lite"—that include checking everything from food to sidewalks to avoid blood, drugs, needles, germs, and other dangers. Her husband eventually tires of acting as her shield, and Colas reluctantly agrees to medication. Strong language. 1998.

Jewish Power: Inside the American Jewish Establishment RC 47704
by J.J. Goldberg
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Journalist Goldberg discusses the myths and realities surrounding Jewish leadership and influence in America. He examines the extent of Jewish involvement in the media, politics, and U.S. foreign policy. He also looks at the complexities of the Jewish community and at organizations such as the Anti-Defamation League and the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. 1996.

The Victors: Eisenhower and His Boys; the Men of World War II RC 47706
by Stephen E. Ambrose
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Drawing material from his previous works on World War II and General Eisenhower, Ambrose provides an account of the last year of the war. Portrays Eisenhower as supreme commander and those who served under him from D-Day, June 6, 1944, to Germany's unconditional surrender on May 7, 1945. 1998.

No Regrets: The Life of Marietta Tree RC 47708
by Caroline Seebohm
read by Terry Hayes Sales
4 cassettes
Biography of the socialite and Democratic Party supporter. Examines the accomplishments of a woman born into the Massachusetts Peabody family in 1917 when matrimony rather than career was the female path to power. Recounts her romances, two marriages, and her rise to political prominence. 1997.

Careers in Child Care RC 47715
by Marjorie Eberts and Margaret Gisler
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
A practical guide to planning, entering, and advancing in a variety of child-care careers, including home care, teaching, health care, social work, and recreation. Presents profiles of practitioners and discusses job preparation, salaries, and future demand in the job market. For

junior and senior high and older readers. 1994.

Summer of Deliverance: A Memoir of Father and Son RC 47717
by Christopher Dickey
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Foreign correspondent Chris Dickey recalls his difficult relationship with his father, James Dickey, the famous poet and writer. Argues that the success of his father's first novel, *Deliverance (RC 25291)* —the 1971 movie—changed him for the worse. Chris describes avoiding his father for several years until shortly before James's death in 1997. Some strong language. 1998.

The Seven Habits of Highly Effective Families: Building a Beautiful Family Culture in a Turbulent World RC 47720
by Stephen R. Covey
read by Gary Tipton
4 cassettes
From the author of *The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People (RC 32592)* and father of nine, a method of achieving peace and harmony at home. Recommends simple and practical ways to communicate and to resolve common problems so that "everyone wins." 1997.

How Reading Changed My Life RC 47722
by Anna Quindlen
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
A noted writer and avid bookworm contemplates the history, value, and pleasure of reading. Discusses the development of reading, changes in attitudes and habits regarding the practice, and the impact of innovations in information technology. Includes reading lists. 1998.

How the New Technology Works: A Guide to High-Tech Concepts RC 47726
by Robert J. Cone and
Patricia Barnes-Svarney
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Explains the concepts and operating principles behind seventeen high-tech devices and systems that affect daily life. Covers electromagnetism, communications, and measurement concepts, discussing their development, applications, and future prospects. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1998.

Baseball: A History of the National Pastime RC 47727
by Mark Stewart
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
Focuses on baseball's evolution, momentous events, and key personalities such as Joe DiMaggio, Jackie Robinson, and Greg Maddux. Examines how social, financial, and organizational issues influence this sport and why, with its century and a half of traditions, baseball remains an important part of American culture. For high school and older readers. 1998.

Remaking the World: Adventures in Engineering RC 47728
by Henry Petroski
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Nineteen essays from *American Scientist* magazine describing famous engineers and engineering feats such as the Panama Canal, the Hoover Dam, and the Channel Tunnel between England and France. 1997.

The Story of American Freedom
RC 47732
by Eric Foner
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
Explores the development of liberty in America since the nation's inception. Views liberty as a "contested concept," which is reinterpreted by successive generations in a process that often involves "struggles, tragic failures, tears, sacrifices, and sorrow." 1998.

Red Signature: Poems RC 47733
by Mary Leader
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
Thirty-four poems expressing a contemporary woman's feelings about events, occurrences, and moments, some past and others present. Her themes include unrequited love, jealousy, being a mother, and thoughts evoked by paintings or music. 1997.

The Dying President: Franklin D. Roosevelt, 1944–1945 RC 47735
by Robert H. Ferrell
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
An account of Franklin Roosevelt's performance as president during the last year of his life. Avers that he concealed serious health problems that impaired his ability to concentrate for long periods and led to some unfortunate policy decisions toward the end of World War II. 1998.

A Nation of Victims: The Decay of the American Character RC 47739
by Charles J. Sykes
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
The author contends that with the rise of psychology, Americans have become a nation of "whiners" who abandon personal responsibility. Self-help groups abound, and blame is placed everywhere except on the individual. Uses numerous examples of absurd court cases where victimization is the standard. Asserts that political correctness also negates moral responsibility and hard work. 1992.

What Remains to Be Discovered: Mapping the Secrets of the Universe, the Origins of Life, and the Future of the Human Race RC 47743
by John Maddox
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Presents a "survey of outstanding problems in science" and an agenda for future discovery. Reviews science history, including key findings in physics, cosmology, and life science. Assesses potential risks from global warming and other threats of nature. 1998.

Song for the Blue Ocean: Encounters along the World's Coasts and beneath the Seas RC 47775
by Carl Safina
read by Bill Wallace
5 cassettes
Record of author's journey to evaluate the overfishing and depletion of marine resources in major commercial fishing areas. A scientist, observer, advocate, guide, tourist, and fisherman, he describes what he encountered and the changes that have occurred. He says setting a "sea ethic" will reverse the devastation. 1997.

The Unfinished Presidency: Jimmy Carter's Journey beyond the White House RC 47796
by Douglas Brinkley
read by Bill Wallace
5 cassettes
Explores Jimmy Carter's continuing work with programs and policies he espoused while in the White House and after. Explains his efforts in human rights, peace, democracy, and health as themes in his post-presidential work. Depicts his involvement with Habitat for Humanity and the Atlanta Project. 1998.

Chopin in Paris: The Life and Times of the Romantic Composer RC 47805
by Tad Szulc
read by Ted Stoddard
4 cassettes
Biography concentrates on the eighteen years (nearly half his life) that the Polish musical genius spent in France. Portrays his artistic and political friends who fashioned European culture from 1831 to 1849, including Sand, Balzac, Hugo, Lamartine, Delacroix, Liszt, Berlioz, Schumann, and Mendelssohn. 1998.

Soccer: A History of the World's Most Popular Game RC 47811
by Mark Stewart
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Presents soccer's timeline, memorable events, and stars, including Stanley Matthews of England, Pelé of Brazil, Roger Milla of Cameroon, and Alexi Lalas of the United States. Explores the sport's origins, global appeal, and social and political implications. For high school and older readers. 1998.

Olives: The Life and Lore of a Noble Fruit RC 47817
by Mort Rosenblum
read by Lewis Grenville
3 cassettes
The author tells how his purchase of a small Provence farm with two hundred neglected olive trees inspired his interest in the fruit. He provides a historical tour of the Mediterranean olive world and discusses various methods of picking, pressing, and appreciating olives. He also presents anecdotes and a few recipes. 1996.

The Accidental Asian: Notes of a Native Speaker RC 47838
by Eric Liu
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Journalist and former Clinton speech writer, Liu, twenty-nine, examines his and others' attitudes about being Asian. A second-generation Chinese American or ABC (American-born Chinese), Liu had a suburban middle-class upbringing and married a woman of Scottish, Irish, and Jewish descent. He explores his ambivalence about choosing to assimilate or embrace his cultural heritage. 1998.

An American Daughter RC 47882
by Wendy Wasserstein
read by Lindsay Ellison
1 cassette
Play featuring Dr. Lyssa Dent Hughes, senator's daughter, descendant of Ulysses S. Grant, and wife and mother, who has been nominated for surgeon general. During a television interview, her husband and a gay friend both contribute information that creates a scandal leading to withdrawal from her position. Some strong language. 1998.

Imagining Atlantis RC 47917
by Richard Ellis
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Ellis reviews many theories about the "lost continent" of Atlantis. He covers a wide range of arguments, from oral traditions to scientific studies, only to conclude that no evidence—either historical or geographical—supports the existence of the landmass. 1998.

Wild about Horses: Our Timeless Passion for the Horse RC 47930
by Lawrence Scanlan
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
The author explores why people are so enamored of horses. Uses history, mythology, and anecdotes to reveal how important the animal has been to the development of humans. Includes stories about horses in war, sports, and entertainment as well as horses as pets. 1998.

Explaining Hitler: The Search for the Origins of His Evil RC 47933
by Ron Rosenbaum
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
An analysis of fifty years of historical research concerning Adolf Hitler. Discusses various theories that scholars have pursued in their efforts to discover the dictator's true nature. Suggests that the existence of evil provides a logical starting point for an explanation of Hitler's actions. 1998.

All on Fire: William Lloyd Garrison and the Abolition of Slavery RC 47934
by Henry Mayer
read by Jake Williams
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Presents William Lloyd Garrison as a great politician, crusader, and publisher who challenged the conscience of America before the Civil War. Details how he insisted upon equal rights for African Americans and women and influenced two generations of activists—female and male, black and white—to demand social reforms. 1998.

Thurgood Marshall: American Revolutionary RC 47943
by Juan Williams
read by Jake Williams
4 cassettes
Describes Marshall's importance to the 1960s civil rights movement, not only for his legal victory in *Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka*, which outlawed school segregation in 1954, or even for his appointment as the first African American Supreme Court justice in 1967, but for his lifelong pursuit of the principle of equality before the law. 1998.

America in Black and White: One Nation, Indivisible RC 47944
by Stephan Thernstrom and Abigail Thernstrom
read by Jake Williams
6 cassettes
An overview of race relations in America from the 1940s through the 1990s, including discussion of the history of segregation, the civil rights movement, and the increasing progress that African Americans have made economically. Concludes with suggestions for improving race relations. 1997.

How the Canyon Became Grand: A Short History RC 47948
by Stephen J. Pyne
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
The author describes how conquistadors and later explorers dismissed the

Grand Canyon as being useless until nineteenth-century artists and intellectuals began to proclaim its unique beauty. Portrays the changing attitudes toward the environment culminating in a more ecological view of natural phenomena. 1998.

The Victorian Internet: The Remarkable Story of the Telegraph and the Nineteenth-Century's On-Line Pioneers RC 47958

by Tom Standage
read by Randy Atcher
1 cassette
History of the invention of the telegraph, which was the technological marvel of its time. Describes how the machine changed the way the world operated, including its direct effects on warfare, espionage, and love affairs. Provides anecdotes about the inventors, hackers, and cheats. 1998.

You Got to Dance with Them What Brung You: Politics in the Clinton Years RC 47959

by Molly Ivins
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
2 cassettes
A collection of humorous opinions and observations by a political commentator from Texas. Topics range from pop culture to the hypocrisy of elected officials. Ivins rails against the radical right, large corporations, and the media, and pays tribute to some deceased heroes. Some strong language. 1998.

The Edges of the Civilized World: A Journey in Nature and Culture RC 47960

by Alison Hawthorne Deming
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Examines the concept of civilization in relation to the environment and culture. Observes that tourism development often destroys natural resources and can hinder economic cooperation among nations. Reflects on a way of life that could reconcile the rift between societies' advancement and the need to preserve the wilderness. 1998.

Conversations with Carter RC 47970

edited by Don Richardson
read by Randy Davidson
3 cassettes
Interviews with former president Jimmy Carter from 1976 through 1997. Initially the questions were designed to learn more about the relatively unknown candidate. The discussions held during his term in office are more focused and formal. Later conversations describe the ex-president's work on behalf of charitable organizations and international peace. 1998.

Many Thousands Gone: The First Two Centuries of Slavery in North America RC 47971

by Ira Berlin
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
History professor Berlin discusses the evolution of slavery from a social practice to a central pillar of the U.S. economy. He outlines three stages in this development—the charter generation, the plantation generation, and the revolutionary generation—and distinguishes among four geographical areas—the North, the Chesapeake, the Carolina low country, and the Mississippi Valley. 1998.

Macular Degeneration: Living Positively with Vision Loss RC 47973
by Betty Wason
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
The author, diagnosed with macular degeneration, investigates the symptoms, causes, and current treatments of the condition. She presents case studies of patients, offering coping mechanisms and sources of help. Gives strategies to deal with stress, including diet and exercise. Describes new technology that makes life easier. 1998.

What Do Women Want? Bread, Roses, Sex, Power RC 47974
by Erica Jong
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Feminist Erica Jong contemplates women of the 1990s—what they want and what society expects from them. Considers issues such as work, power, sex, and relationships. Essays discuss such public figures as Princess Diana and Hillary Rodham Clinton, and muse on "the perfect man." Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Napoleon Hill's Keys to Success: The Seventeen Principles of Personal Achievement RC 47975
by Napoleon Hill
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
The documented experience and writings of the author are updated with business success stories. Suggests ways to create an attractive personality and establish a positive mental attitude. 1994.

Headache Relief for Women: How You Can Manage and Prevent Pain RC 47976
by Alan M. Rapoport and Fred D. Sheftell
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
Two physicians from the Headache Inpatient Unit of Greenwich Hospital define four types of headaches and provide advice on managing them. They discuss influences such as menstruation, menopause, pregnancy, and stress. The doctors also review diet, nutrition, and medications. 1995.

The Dancing Universe: From Creation Myths to the Big Bang RC 47978
by Marcelo Gleiser
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
Surveys approaches to understanding the origins of the universe through religion and science. Analyzes creation myths of various cultures and compares twentieth-century Western ideas, demonstrating areas of similarity and difference. Traces the lives and discoveries of well-known theoreticians. 1997.

Jane Brody's Allergy Fighter RC 47983
by Jane E. Brody
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Explains nasal allergies—their causes, cures, and prevention. Describes seasonal and perennial problems, reactions to various foods, and ways to alleviate them. Includes information on over-the-counter and herbal remedies. 1997.

Rules for the Road: Surviving Your First Job out of School RC 47985
by Eve Luppert
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Gives succinct, practical advice for college graduates or others beginning their first venture into the corporate world. Explains what to do the first day on the job, what to wear, how to get along with different types of bosses and coworkers, how to succeed, and how to handle finances. 1998.

Racing to the Beginning of the Road: The Search for the Origin of Cancer RC 47988
by Robert A. Weinberg
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Biologist Weinberg discusses advances in cancer research, focusing on known carcinogens and viruses that may contribute to the development of the disease. He describes people who are involved in the search for answers, instances of cooperation and competition for funding, and the dead ends that often follow promising breakthroughs. 1998.

War's End: An Eyewitness Account of America's Last Atomic Mission RC 47989
by Charles W. Sweeney
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Memoir of the American Army Air Corps pilot who flew both atomic bomb missions over Japan in August 1945. Feeling "outraged and betrayed" by revisionist accounts of those events, the author tells his own career story and describes the tension and drama surrounding the world's first use of atomic weapons. 1997.

The Nurture Assumption: Why Children Turn Out the Way They Do RC 47992
by Judith Rich Harris
read by Jill Fox
4 cassettes
The author contends that peers matter more than parents in determining a child's development. Harris suggests that children are born with their personalities or characters and that growth is shaped by factors outside the home rather than by nurturing parents. In essence, she says, children socialize children. 1998.

AIDS and HIV: Risky Business RC 47995
by Daniel Jussim
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Victims of the HIV virus speak out about their experiences with a top killer of young American adults. Discusses the prevention and treatment of AIDS and HIV. Offers practical advice on protecting oneself from contracting the disease. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1997.

Young People and Chronic Illness: True Stories, Help, and Hope RC 47998
by Kelly Huegel
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
First-person accounts of young people who have accepted their chronic diseases and maintained a positive outlook. Includes practical advice for dealing with school, friends, and family while coping with cancer, epilepsy, diabetes, and other conditions. Lists organizations and web sites after each narrative. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

The Mythology of Cats: Feline Legend and Lore through the Ages RC 48005
by Gerald Hausman and Loretta Hausman
read by Ann Hodapp
1 cassette
Legends, folklore, and literary allusions are combined with historical information on thirty breeds of cat. Begins with the "goddess cat" and facts on the Egyptian Mau, includes the nine-lived Abyssinian, and ends with the "archetypal" tabby. 1998.

Diabetes A to Z: What You Need to Know about Diabetes—Simply Put RC 48006
by American Diabetes Association
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Simple, basic answers to common questions about diabetes. Includes information on medicines, weight and diet, complications, and exercise. 1997.

The Man Who Once Was Whizzer White: A Portrait of Justice Byron R. White RC 48013
by Dennis J. Hutchinson
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Biography of the Supreme Court justice who was appointed by John F. Kennedy in 1962 and retired in 1993. Describes how White—both a Rhodes scholar and a professional football player—has shunned publicity. Presents his work on the Court in a term-by-term perspective. Portrays a complex figure who has done little to clarify his own image. 1998.

Black Hawk Down: A Story of Modern War RC 48028
by Mark Bowden
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
Recreates the U.S. military operation in Mogadishu, Somalia, on October 3-4, 1993, when ninety-nine American soldiers were surrounded and trapped. Describes how the planned one-hour mission turned into an overnight fight for survival. Based on journalist's interviews with the soldiers, helicopter pilots, and Somali clan leaders. Some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Bella Tuscany: The Sweet Life in Italy RC 48030
by Frances Mayes
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Continues Mayes's account begun in *Under the Tuscan Sun (RC 44847)*. Now that the house and garden restoration is essentially complete, Mayes and her husband begin exploring the rest of Italy. She describes her fondness for the people she encounters and the joys of Italian food. Includes recipes. Bestseller 1999.

Playing for Keeps: Michael Jordan and the World He Made RC 48035
by David Halberstam
read by Gregory Gorton
4 cassettes
Examines the basketball superstar's career and character from high school to the professional ranks. Describes championship games and fellow players. Discusses 1980s and 1990s changes in media coverage and how Jordan evolved from athlete to cultural phenomenon. Bestseller 1999.

Helen Keller: A Life RC 48038
by Dorothy Herrmann
read by Barbara Pinolini
3 cassettes
A chronological account of Keller's long, eventful life, written from a woman's perspective. Herrmann explores Keller's world, perceived without sight or sound; her ability to remain cheerful about her disabilities; and her relationship with teacher Anne Sullivan. 1998.

Don't Know Much about the Bible: Everything You Need to Know about the Good Book but Never Learned RC 48042
by Kenneth C. Davis
read by Margaret Strom
4 cassettes
Examines the culture and environment in which the Bible was written and explores the Good Book by placing some of its accounts in historical perspective. Details views on when and by whom the Old and New Testaments were written and how other traditions influenced their contents and structure. 1998.

An Evening among Headhunters and Other Reports from Roads Less Traveled RC 48047
by Lawrence Millman
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
A travel writer's account of his daring forays to unusual and remote places. His adventures include trekking through Amazon jungles, exploring far-flung islands, and dining on raw seal eye with Inuits. Some strong language. 1998.

The Oxford Book of Ireland RC 48078
edited by Patricia Craig
read by Terry Donnelly
5 cassettes
An anthology of Irish writing from Celtic times to the late 1990s. Includes excerpts from novels, poetry, and philosophy by peasants and the famous. Many passages lament the occupation of the land by the British. 1998.

Global Warming: Opposing Viewpoints RC 48081
edited by Tamara L. Roleff and others
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
The opposing viewpoints in this volume concern the environment. Scientists debate the causes and effects of global warming, whether it poses a serious threat to human life, and how to preserve the rain forests that are endangered by slowly rising temperatures. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1997.

Beauty Fades, Dumb Is Forever: The Making of a Happy Woman RC 48103
by Judy Sheindlin
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Televised family court judge offers advice to women on how to avoid ruining their lives. Uses her years of experience in the courtroom and her own life to illustrate ten lessons about achieving happiness, confidence, and success. Bestseller 1999.

Chicken Soup for the Couple's Soul: Inspirational Stories about Love and Relationships RC 48107
edited by Jack Canfield and others
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Includes poems, stories, and reminiscences about love through good times and bad including death and illness. Illustrates the meaning of commitment, understanding, and family. Bestseller 1999.

Perfect Murder, Perfect Town RC 48109
by Lawrence Schiller
read by Bill Wallace
5 cassettes
Describes the murder investigation of six-year-old JonBenét Ramsey, who was killed at home on Christmas Day 1996. Portrays the role of the FBI and the antagonism between the Boulder, Colorado, police department and the district attorney's office. Examines newspaper articles, interviews with suspects, and the role of tabloids. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1998.

Careers for the Curious RC 48110
edited by Russell Shorto
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Presents interviews with fourteen professionals in fields that demand an inquiring mind and keen investigative skills, including an inventor, an editor, an ethnomusicologist, and a philosopher. They describe how they got started, what their work involves, and things they like and dislike about their jobs. For junior and senior high readers. 1992.

The Art of the Lathe: Poems RC 48111
by B.H. Fairchild
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Lyrical poems that depict the stark, arduous lives of machinists, farmers, and other working-class Kansans in the mid-twentieth century. In "Body and Soul," a gifted fifteen-year-old boy bests his elders at baseball, demonstrating "the vast gap between talent and genius." Some strong language. 1998.

Down the Tube: An Inside Account of the Failure of American Television RC 48125
by William F. Baker and George Dessart
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Two industry insiders argue that television "has failed to achieve its potential to deliver a superior product or contribute to the public good." The authors assert that the U.S. government has abdicated its regulatory responsibility, allowing mediocre programming by profit-driven commercial television interests. 1998.

Trapped in the Net: The Unanticipated Consequences of Computerization RC 48133
by Gene I. Rochlin
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
A professor of energy and resources at Berkeley argues that complacent acceptance of computers in every phase of contemporary existence blunts the perception of how they are transforming the very structure and practice of human affairs. 1997.

Forgotten Heroes: Inspiring American Portraits from Our Leading Historians RC 48138
edited by Susan Ware
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
Biographical essays of thirty-five unsung American heroes including fourteen women. Spanning the colonial era to the 1960s, covers sports figures, military greats, feminists, trailblazers, pioneers, teachers, and diplomats. 1998.

Careers for Kids at Heart and Others Who Adore Children RC 48140
by Marjorie Eberts and Margaret Gisler
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
Description of the numerous career opportunities that entail working with children. Includes school settings, infant and toddler care, and health- and safety-oriented jobs as well as practical considerations. For junior and senior high readers. 1994.

How Alcoholics Anonymous Failed Me: My Personal Journey to Sobriety through Self-Empowerment RC 48143
by Marianne W. Gilliam
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Gilliam advocates a holistic, spiritual approach to addiction that leads to permanent recovery. She draws on her experience as an alcoholic and drug addict for half of her life and her failure with Alcoholics Anonymous and other groups. Includes a directory of alternatives to twelve-step programs. 1998.

A Wilderness Within: The Life of Sigurd F. Olson RC 48148
by David Backes
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Authorized biography of the American environmental writer and activist based on his papers and diaries. Describes the man who was a national parks advocate in the mid-twentieth century. Focuses on understanding Olson's character and the development of his ideas on conservation issues. 1997.

Versos Sencillos: Simple Verses RC 48158
by José Martí
read by Peter Gil
1 cassette
A collection that represents a spiritual autobiography of the famous Cuban poet and patriot of the nineteenth century. Martí distills his sentiments as philosopher, troubadour, soldier, and lover in these brief verses. The poems and original prolog are in Spanish and English. This edition includes an English introduction by Manuel Tellechea. 1891.

Isaac Newton: The Last Sorcerer RC 48163
by Michael White
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Depicts Sir Isaac Newton (1642–1727) as a scientist who researched the universe by studying biblical prophecy, astrology, and magic. Traces his youth in Grantham and years at Cambridge. Discusses how alchemy helped him to invent calculus, conceive the laws of motion and gravity, and investigate optics. 1997.

The Living Wage: Building a Fair Economy RC 48169
by Robert Pollin and Stephanie Luce
read by Jeff Baker
2 cassettes
Examines the "living wage" legislative initiative intended to improve conditions for employees in the United States by requiring companies to provide decent wages and adequate benefits in order to qualify for government contracts. Argues that these proposals could reverse the twenty-five-year decline in many workers' real earnings. 1998.

The Living of Maisie Ward RC 48170
by Dana Greene
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Traces the development of a major figure in twentieth-century Catholicism. Describes Ward's upbringing in England, activities in the Catholic Evidence Guild, publication of works by authors of the Church, translations of writings of European theologians, and foundation of the Catholic Housing Aid Society. 1997.

One Day My Soul Just Opened Up: Forty Days and Forty Nights towards Spiritual Strength and Personal Growth RC 48199
by Iyanla Vanzant
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Spiritual readings and exercises that offer a way to find peace through contemplation and writing journal entries. Examples from the author's life illustrate how she worked through emotional pain and distress to achieve a more balanced perspective on life. Bestseller 1998.

The Elegant Universe: Superstrings, Hidden Dimensions, and the Quest for the Ultimate Theory RC 48203
by Brian Greene
read by Butch Hoover
4 cassettes
Explains research on the fundamental laws of the universe and the search for a single theory capable of describing all physical phenomena. Discusses the major achievements of physics since Einstein and Heisenberg. Summarizes special relativity, general relativity, quantum mechanics, and string theory. Bestseller 1999.

Decoding the Bible Code RC 48205
by John Weldon
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Explores the popular theory of a hidden Bible message, a "cryptogram set by the Almighty." Examines evidence and research, as well as arguments of critics who deny the phenomenon. Discusses problems with the code and warns against improper use. 1998.

Living with Death and Dying: How to Communicate with the Terminally Ill RC 48207
by Elisabeth Kübler-Ross
read by John Richardson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The author of *On Death and Dying (RC 47351)*, a physician, suggests ways in which the death of a family member can be a positive, meaningful experience—even for children. She advocates open expressions of feelings of denial, fear, anger, and guilt to help people face the imminent loss of a loved one. 1981.

Choosing a Wheelchair: A Guide for Optimal Independence RC 48218
by Gary Karp
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
The author, a paraplegic and ergonomics specialist, details the process of selecting a wheelchair for both new and experienced users. Takes into account costs, usage, and wheeling technique. Includes list of manufacturers. 1998.

John Chancellor Makes Me Cry RC 48219
by Anne Rivers Siddons
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Personal essays spanning a year in the

author's life. She writes of her peculiar response to the evening news, a visit to a haunted wintertime beach, a wild—but touching—college reunion, and loving memories of her grandfather. 1975.

What Our Mothers Didn't Tell Us: Why Happiness Eludes the Modern Woman RC 48228

by Danielle Crittenden
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes

The author contends that feminism defies human nature and has caused misery for generations. She urges women to look beyond themselves and their personal ambitions, and to compromise in their relationships with men. Advocates marrying early and having children before embarking on a career. 1999.

Making Peace with Chronic Pain: A Whole-Life Strategy RC 48237

by Marlene E. Hunter
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes

A doctor discusses coping mechanisms to deal with chronic pain. Uses case histories to illustrate ways to respond to pain and discusses appropriate medication. Reviews literature about pain control and comments on research findings. 1996.

The Age of Spiritual Machines: When Computers Exceed Human Intelligence RC 48260

by Ray Kurzweil
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes

Considering exponential advances in computer technology since 1900, inventor Kurzweil theorizes that the twenty-first century will be defined by incomparable achievements in mechanical intelligence and that emotions associated with humans, such as love and loneliness, will manifest themselves in machines. He projects that automated devices and humans will become indistinguishable. 1999.

Reaching to Heaven: A Spiritual Journey through Life and Death RC 48403

by James Van Praagh
read by Anne Hancock
1 cassette

Spiritual medium Van Praagh's guidebook for charting the soul's journey through life, death, and rebirth. He discusses what it means to be spiritual, encourages reexamination of earthly illusions, and demonstrates taking charge of one's life. Companion to *Talking to Heaven (RC 45101)*. Bestseller 1999.

Encore Provence: New Adventures in the South of France RC 48526

by Peter Mayle
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes

Mayle and his wife return to Provence after a four-year absence. On this visit he discusses his favorite markets, vineyards, and bakeries; his search for the perfect corkscrew; the "school for noses" where blind children learn to identify fragrances for perfumes; and ways to spend a summer's afternoon. Bestseller 1999.

The Hungry Ocean: A Swordboat Captain's Journey RC 48530

by Linda Greenlaw
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes

The only female swordfishing boat captain describes a harrowing month-long journey to Newfoundland's Grand Banks. Greenlaw recalls her five-man crew and their struggle against the sea

aboard the *Hannah Boden*. Companion to Junger's *The Perfect Storm (RC 44751)*, which portrays the fatal journey of a sister ship, the *Andrea Gail*. Strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Comfort from a Country Quilt
RC 48555
by Reba McEntire
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
The country western star reminisces about her childhood on a ranch in Oklahoma where her father worked in rodeos, her singing career including the 1991 crash that killed members of her band, and her favorite role—as a mother. Bestseller 1999.

No One Left to Lie To: The Triangulations of William Jefferson Clinton RC 48716
by Christopher Hitchens
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
A journalist's appraisal of the public and private Clinton: a polemic attacking "a crooked president and a corrupt and reactionary administration." Also evaluates the presidency's legacy and relationship with the international community. Bestseller 1999.

Cassettes Fiction

The Grub-and-Stakers Spin a Yarn
RC 45175
by Alisa Craig
read by Cyn Delafield
2 cassettes
Osbert and Dittany Monk, part-time deputies in a small Canadian town, are enlisted to solve the murder of a local mincemeat maker. Mother Matilda has been guarding the family recipe for years and fears that her husband was killed by industrial spies. 1990.

Flying Colours RC 46122
by C.S. Forester
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Ship of the Line (RC 46121)*, Captain Hornblower, having surrendered his ship, finds himself in a French prison facing possible execution. If he manages to escape, he still must deal with a court martial in England. 1938.

Lord Hornblower RC 46123
by C.S. Forester
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The Hornblower saga continues as the intrepid commodore becomes a peer of the realm by quelling a mutiny and concluding his private war with Napoleon. Incidentally, he rekindles his romance with the lovely French Marie. Sequel to *Commodore Hornblower (RC 26916)*. 1946.

Swallowing Stones RC 46596
by Joyce McDonald
read by Jeanne Evans
1 cassette
On the fourth of July and his seventeenth birthday, Michael fires his new rifle into the air, unintentionally killing a man who is a mile away, repairing his roof. Then in alternate chapters, Michael and the dead man's daughter, Jenna, recount their reactions to the death and how it changes their lives. For junior and senior high readers. 1997.

The Five Thousand and One Nights
RC 46674
by Penelope Lively
read by Jennifer Mendenhall
1 cassette
Fourteen short stories by the British Booker Prize winner; most observe people at pivotal moments in their private lives. In the title story, after many years of conventional marriage, the Sultan is bored with Scheherazade's cerebral stories. His revenge is to tell her violent adventure tales. 1997.

The High Window RC 46679
by Raymond Chandler
read by Conrad Feininger
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Search for a priceless gold coin takes private detective Philip Marlowe into the California underworld and the tangled affairs of a murdered coin collector. 1942.

The Second Mate RC 46680
by Philip McCutchan
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes
This sequel to *Apprentice to the Sea (RC 41979)* is set in the early 1900s. Aboard the steam liner *Orvega*, second mate Tom Chatto faces the daunting challenge of navigating Cape Horn, a task complicated by the risk of colliding with a foundering windjammer. 1995.

Devil's Rim RC 46715
by Sam Brown
read by Dick Jenkins
2 cassettes
Concho Smith is headed to Mexico in the summer of 1898 when he comes across Judith Van, who is trying to mend a broken gate on her ranch. Her husband has been crippled by a fall from a horse, and she really needs help with the ranch work. Concho stops to help and ends up staying and facing problems. Strong language and some violence. 1998.

Conflict of Interest RC 46765
by Terry Lewis
read by Chuck Young
2 cassettes
Beset with marital and alcohol problems, trial lawyer Ted Stevens is appointed to defend the accused murderer of reporter Patty Stiles. Concealing his past romance with Stiles and continuing to drink recklessly, Stevens puts both the defense case and his own career in jeopardy. Strong language. 1997.

The Bridge Builder's Story RC 46766
by Howard Fast
read by Ray Hagen
1 cassette
Young newlyweds Scott and Martha Waring honeymoon in Germany in 1939. They are illegally seized by the Nazis. Scott alone escapes, but leads a tortured life until therapy and the love of a Jewish war survivor enable him to accept the past. Strong language. 1995.

Later Days at Highbury RC 46777
by Joan Austen-Leigh
read by Jennifer Mendenhall
2 cassettes
Continues the saga of the characters in the novel *Emma (RC 23490)* by Jane Austen. Written by a descendent of Austen's in the form of letters between friends and sisters, the daily affairs of the village of Highbury are chronicled. One of the main occupations is matchmaking between eligible men and women. 1996.

Just an Ordinary Day RC 46779
by Shirley Jackson
read by Celeste Lawson
3 cassettes
Fifty-four previously unpublished or uncollected stories from the author of "The Lottery," which is found in *The Magic of Shirley Jackson (RC 9151)*. These stories, written from the 1930s to shortly before Jackson's death in 1965, range from the lighthearted romantic to the frightening and the macabre. 1996.

The River at Sundown RC 46783
by Earl Murray
read by Anne Mullen
2 cassettes
After the Civil War, Isaac Porter finds gold in Montana and sends for his family in Tennessee. His wife, Holly, encounters many disasters on the trip; the worst is a Sioux attack. She is separated from her family, captured, and tortured. Rescued by a Blackfoot woman, Holly determines to be reunited with her son and husband. Some violence. 1997.

Corrupting Dr. Nice RC 46788
by John Kessel
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
In the year 2063, Dr. Owen Vannice, "Dr. Nice," a wealthy paleontologist, brings a baby dinosaur back from a trip to the Cretaceous period. On his way home, he stops in A.D. 40 Jerusalem where he meets August Faison and his beautiful daughter Genevieve. They attempt to steal the reptile and to swindle Dr. Nice out of his money. For senior high and older readers. 1997.

The Djinn in the Nightingale's Eye: Five Fairy Stories RC 46789
by A.S. Byatt
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Four short stories and a novella presented in the guise of fairy tales with a twentieth-century slant. In the title novella, a middle-aged woman has an extraordinary adventure with a djinn—a genie—released from a beautiful glass bottle purchased in Turkey. 1994.

***Will You Always Love Me?* and Other Stories RC 46922**
by Joyce Carol Oates
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
Short stories of ordinary people whose lives are deeply affected by tragedy, violence, or other life crises. The title work tells of a woman whose sister was brutally raped and murdered. After twenty years, when the killer is up for parole, she pleads against his release. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. 1996.

Time to Hunt RC 47031
by Stephen Hunter
read by Jeremy Gage
4 cassettes
When his wife is wounded by a sniper in the Idaho mountains, retired Marine sergeant Bob Lee Swagger links the shooting to events thirty years past in Vietnam. Himself an expert sniper, Swagger stalks the gunman and uncovers an official conspiracy in which he is the target. Strong language and violence. 1998.

Fast Sam, Cool Clyde, and Stuff
RC 47033
by Walter Dean Myers
read by Chuck Young
1 cassette (Reissue)
When Francis moves to 116th Street, he does not know anybody. Within a year, though, he makes the best friends of his life, gets a cool nickname, lands in jail because of modern science, experiences the death of a friend, and falls in and out of love. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1975.

The Best of Sisters in Crime RC 47036
edited by Marilyn Wallace
read by Celeste Lawson
3 cassettes
Anthology of mysteries written by award-winning women authors such as Sue Grafton, Sara Paretsky, Mary Higgins Clark, and Elizabeth George. In "One Hit Wonder" by Gabrielle Kraft, a washed-up musician gets another chance; in "Extenuating Circumstances" by Joyce Carol Oates, a mother justifies her horrific crime. Gives brief introductions about each author. Some violence and some strong language. 1997.

Trouble Is My Business RC 47046
by Raymond Chandler
read by Conrad Feininger
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Four Philip Marlowe mysteries including the title story, "Finger Man," "Goldfish," and "Red Wind." Some strong language. 1934.

The Invisible Man RC 47064
by H.G. Wells
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Classic story about the scientist Griffin, who discovers a process that makes him invisible. At first he is euphoric about the wild and wonderful things his invisibility allows him to do, but he soon wishes he could change back. First published in 1897. 1996.

Wind from the Wilderness: The Liberty Bell, Book 5 RC 47075
by Gilbert Morris
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Sequel to *Arrow of the Almighty (RC 47074)*. Joel and his sister, Phoebe Bradford, have been brought to America by Daniel Bradford. When Joel helps out an elderly actor, Ezra Tyrone, he discovers he has a natural talent for acting. Before long, Joel finds himself posing as a British loyalist to help the Continental Army. 1998.

Paris in the Twentieth Century
RC 47151
by Jules Verne
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Written originally in 1863 and first published in 1994, this "lost novel" depicts Jules Verne's vision of life in 1960s Paris. In this hyper-efficient but dystopian society, the story's young, idealistic protagonist, Michel Dufrenoy, laments that there is no room for the human soul. Subways, automobiles, skyscrapers, electric lights, calculators, fax machines, and e-mail are all part of this utilitarian world. 1996.

***The Forest of Time* and Other Stories**
RC 47158
by Michael Flynn
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Collection of ten stories by Flynn that appeared originally in *Analog Science Fiction and Fact* magazine. Author's

comments form the introduction and an afterword to each selection. 1997.

White Crosses RC 47181
by Larry Watson
read by Michael Kramer
3 cassettes
Montana, 1957. There is a car accident on graduation night. Killed are an eighteen-year-old girl and the principal of the primary school. After learning that the two were running away together, Sheriff Jack Nevelsen concocts a story to save the reputation and morals of his hometown. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1997.

The True Knight: The Warhorse of Esdragon, Book 3 RC 47243
by Susan Dexter
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Wind-Witch (RC 47242)*, Titch sets off to win knighthood. His first challenge pits him against a man riding the magnificent stallion Valadan. Left for dead, Titch is rescued and nursed to health by Wren, a magician's apprentice. Titch continues his search and is eventually reunited with Wren and Valadan in a common quest. 1995.

A Scots Quair RC 47292
by Lewis Grassic Gibbon
read by Anne Flosnik
6 cassettes
Three short novels written between 1932 and 1934 follow the life of Chris Guthrie in early twentieth-century Scotland. *Sunset Song* depicts the harsh beauty of the prewar Scottish countryside. *Cloud Howe* shows a small town in the grip of postwar depression. And *Grey Granite* deals with an industrial city in the throes of an economic crisis. Updated notes and introduction. 1990.

Well of Shiuan RC 47438
by C.J. Cherryh
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Earthquakes and floods have doomed the world of Shiuan, and its people seek escape through the time-space gates. But Morgaine and her liege, Nhi Vanye, wish to close the gates to protect time and prevent evil. Morgaine's moral dilemma is complicated when her relentless enemy, Chya Roh, appears. Sequel to *Gate of Ivrel (RC 47437)*. 1978.

Fires of Azeroth RC 47439
by C.J. Cherryh
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Morgaine, the legendary White Queen, comes to Azeroth determined to close the last gate of three worlds. She is followed by the Shiuan, who want to conquer a new planet and avenge the destruction of their world. But Azeroth is guarded by the technologically superior qhal. Sequel to *Well of Shiuan (RC 47438)*. 1979.

A Nixon Man RC 47440
by Michael Cahill
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
In 1972 eleven-year-old Jack Costello's father is an ardent admirer of Richard Nixon. When the Watergate scandal erupts, Jack buys his own phone-tapping device to confirm that his father is having an affair. Instead he learns a truth about himself that eclipses the rest of his adolescent troubles. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Legal Briefs: Stories by Today's Best Legal Thriller Writers RC 47441
edited by William Bernhardt
read by Arnie Warren
2 cassettes
Short stories involving lawyers and the legal system by eleven established authors. In "The Divorce" by Grif Stockley, a widowed lawyer is set up by a comely woman, who is seeking a divorce. In "Poetic Justice," a conniving but lazy lawyer meets his match in a powerful politician who just happens to be his size. 1998.

The Ghost of Hannah Mendes RC 47459
by Naomi Ragen
read by Nanette Savard
3 cassettes
Seventy-four-year-old wealthy widow Catherine da Costa is dying. Her family has drifted away from its Jewish faith and Sephardic heritage. Hoping to increase her two granddaughters' appreciation of their lineage, she sends them to Europe to locate documents belonging to a sixteenth-century ancestor, Hannah Mendes, who saved fellow Jews from the Inquisition. 1998.

A Dying Light in Corduba RC 47471
by Lindsey Davis
read by Gordon Gould
3 cassettes
Rome, A.D. 73. When Marcus Didius Falco's boss, Chief Spy Anacrites, is almost murdered at a dinner for olive oil producers, Falco has to travel to Spain to investigate a possible illegal cartel. He is accompanied by his pregnant girlfriend, Helena, who insists he be present at their child's birth. As progress is slow, Falco fears that the baby will not be born in Rome. 1996.

The Song of Princes: The Wakefield Dynasty, Volume 6 RC 47478
by Gilbert Morris
read by Ilona Dulaski
3 cassettes
When twins David and Paul Wakefield are born, their parents believe that David is the firstborn. Sensible David eventually inherits Wakefield Manor. Paul bitterly leaves for the American colonies and becomes a fur trader. Years later he returns to England and learns he may be the older son. Sequel to *The Ramparts of Heaven (RC 44700)*. 1997.

Free Range Lanning RC 47481
by Max Brand
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Young Andrew Lanning falls in love and becomes a desperado, all in one day. Egged on by his uncle, gunslinger Jasper Lanning, Andrew almost kills a man. Pursued by a posse, Andrew flees to the mountains, where he finds more trouble. Companion to *The Return of Free Range Lanning (RC 47482)*. Some violence. 1921.

King, Queen, Knave RC 47519
by Vladimir Nabokov
read by Rick Foucheux
2 cassettes
Young Franz goes to work for his Uncle Dreyer, whose wife, Martha, finds Franz attractive. But a twist of fate spoils the lovers' dalliance and thwarts their plan to be rid of the unsuspecting husband. Originally published in Russian in 1928. Some descriptions of sex. 1968.

From Sea to Shining Sea RC 47603
by James Alexander Thom
read by Richard Hauenstein
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Saga of the Clark family of colonial Virginia as they help explore and settle the new frontier. Several sons fight in the Revolutionary War. The Clarks eventually move west to the wilderness of Kentucky. One son, William, joins Meriwether Lewis in his survey of the continent to the Pacific Ocean on behalf of the new U.S. president, Thomas Jefferson. 1984.

His Share of Glory: The Complete Short Science Fiction of C.M. Kornbluth RC 47620
by C.M. Kornbluth
read by Roy Avers
6 cassettes
This collection of more than fifty short stories contains all the solo works of Kornbluth, even those written under pseudonyms. Includes an introduction by his longtime friend and collaborator Frederik Pohl, who provides insights into Kornbluth's short life. 1997.

A Celestial Omnibus: Short Fiction on Faith RC 47626
edited by J.P. Maney and Tom Hazuka
read by Jeremy Gage
3 cassettes
Twenty-five short stories about different religious beliefs, arranged by theme: mystery, doubt, evil, the supernatural, and reconciliation. In "Sweat," by Zora Neale Hurston, a hard-working Christian woman is pushed too far by her husband; in "The Man in the Black Suit," by Stephen King, an elderly man recalls meeting the devil. Some strong language. 1997.

Stay True: Short Stories for Strong Girls RC 47636
edited by Marilyn Singer
read by Mary Ann Nichols
2 cassettes
Eleven short stories featuring adolescent girls and the dilemmas of growing up. In the title story, Molly regrets that her best friend has become boy-crazy and cool. In "Building Bridges," Bebe tries to explain to her grandmother why she wants to be an engineer. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1998.

Exiles: Three Short Novels RC 47638
by Philip Caputo
read by Jeremy Gage
3 cassettes
Stories set in different places. *Standing In* features a young man from Connecticut who resembles the dead son of a couple he meets on the train. In *Paradise*, islanders north of Australia deal with a young man who washed up on the beach. In the *Forest of the Laughing Elephant*, American soldiers track a man-eating tiger in the Vietnam jungle. Some strong language. 1997.

O Pioneers! RC 47646
by Willa Cather
read by Anne Hancock
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Hanover, Nebraska. Since her Swedish father's early death, Alexandra Bergson has been in charge of the homestead as well as her younger brothers. Their fortunes rise and fall with the weather and the crops. Under Alexandra's guidance, the family eventually prospers. In middle age, when her old flame, Carl Linstrum, returns to Hanover, Alexandra has a chance for personal happiness. For senior high and older readers. 1913.

Cuentos Chicanos: A Short Story Anthology RC 47660
edited by Rudolfo A. Anaya and Antonio Marquez
read by Peter Gil
2 cassettes
Twenty-one short stories, three of which are in Spanish, by Chicano authors. Contributors to this collection include Rudolfo Anaya, Ron Arias, Jose Armas, Kathleen Baca, Sergio Elizondo, Juan Felipe Herrera, Francisco Jimenez, and Tino Villanueva. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1984.

Tara Road RC 47670
by Maeve Binchy
read by Anne Hancock
4 cassettes
In Ireland, Ria's marriage falls apart when her husband leaves her for his pregnant girlfriend; in Connecticut, Marilyn, unable to cope with her son's death, separates from her husband. A phone call sets in motion a swapping of houses for the summer and the chance for each woman to rediscover herself. Bestseller 1998.

My Sweet Folly RC 47684
by Laura Kinsale
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
During the early 1880s, Folie Hamilton, thirty, maintained correspondence with Robert Cambourne, her husband's cousin in India. Now Folie's husband is dead, and Robert is back in England commanding Folie and her stepdaughter Melinda to repair to his home. But when they arrive, Folie is shocked by his demeanor—and her growing love for him. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1997.

Worldwar: Tilting the Balance RC 47687
by Harry Turtledove
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
In this sequel to *Worldwar: In the Balance (RC 45912)*, World War II adversaries have united to drive off the lizard aliens. By combining efforts to develop the atomic bomb, the earthlings hope to win back the planet. Meanwhile, the invaders find the common Earth spice ginger to be a highly addictive drug. 1995.

Mine Eyes Have Seen RC 47690
by Ann Rinaldi
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
Annie Brown, fifteen, travels to Maryland to help her father, John Brown, prepare for his raid on the U.S. arsenal at Harpers Ferry in 1859. Annie's struggle to get along with her difficult father and to understand his obsession with freeing the slaves provides a view of the lives of both father and daughter. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Darker Jewels: A Novel of Saint-Germain RC 47707
by Chelsea Quinn Yarbro
read by David Palmer
3 cassettes
The King of Poland sends vampire Count Saint-Germain, a powerful alchemist able to create jewels, to Russia. The czar has become a crazed man since accidentally killing his son. Now he is only interested in the power of gems. Poland's ruler hopes Saint-Germain can appease Ivan the Terrible. 1993.

The Love of a Good Woman: Stories RC 47716
by Alice Munro
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Eight short stories centered around families. In the title piece, three boys delay revealing their discovery of the drowned town optometrist. Most think it's a suicide until a nurse uncovers the truth. In "My Mother's Dream" a war widow has trouble accepting her newborn daughter while living with her quirky in-laws. Some strong language. 1998.

Flanders Point RC 47718
by Jacquie Gordon
read by Carol Dines
3 cassettes
Nature-loving Charlotte Delafield decides to stay at the private school on her beloved peninsula when her angry parents divorce and move away. Then Brian Parton, an introverted young instructor, arrives to teach the senior girls, and the two lonely people are gradually drawn to each other. Some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Goldfield RC 47719
by Richard S. Wheeler
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Early 1900s. Newspaperman Olympus Prinz chronicles the transformation of Goldfield, Nevada, from a rough desert mining camp to a company town that is able to defeat the Wobblies' union organizing campaign. Citizens include "shyster" Big Sam Jones, prospectors Maude and Harry Arbuckle, and professor Hannibal Dash. Some violence. 1995.

A Floating Life: The Adventures of Li Po; an Historical Novel RC 47729
by Simon Elegant
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
China, mid-eighth century. The great poet dictates his memoirs to a young student. Li Po indulges his love for music and wine as he recalls his youthful adventures, scattering poems among his stories. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1997.

The Believers RC 47730
by Janice Holt Giles
read by Terry Hayes Sales
3 cassettes
In 1800 a young Kentucky woman agrees to join a Shaker colony with her recently converted husband. He finds fulfillment in the daily routine and group solidarity, but she becomes increasingly unhappy with her neighbors and her marriage. Portrays life in a nineteenth-century Shaker community. 1957.

Nebula Awards 32: SFWA's Choices for the Best Science Fiction and Fantasy of the Year RC 47731
edited by Jack Dann
read by Brian Conn
3 cassettes
Collection of stories and two poems selected by the Science-fiction and Fantasy Writers of America (SFWA) for 1995, as well as original essays by writers in the field. One award winner, "Must and Shall," depicts Nazi collaboration in an unreconstructed southern United States during World War II. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Leaving Earth RC 47736
by Helen Humphreys
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
Describes how pilots Grace O'Gorman and Willa Briggs, in 1933, flew a biplane and tried to stay aloft circling Toronto harbor twenty-five days. Depicts the experience of flying in an open cockpit and the bond the women formed while testing their emotional and physical limits. 1997.

Hunger: A Novella and Stories RC 47737
by Lan Samantha Chang
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
A novella and five short stories revealing stresses within the family when Chinese immigrants confront cultural difficulties in America. In the title piece, a frustrated musician is determined that one of his daughters will have a musical career even at the expense of a loving home. 1998.

Always Six O'Clock RC 47738
by Phoef Sutton
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Television writer Carl Rooney lives in the house where he grew up. One night his high school girlfriend, Jesse, comes over, and he's shocked to realize she thinks they're still seventeen. Then Carl learns that Jesse is "presumed dead" after a recent boating accident. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Witness in Heaven: The Appomattox Saga, Book 10 RC 47740
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Charlene Peace has grown up in the Rocky Mountains. After her parents' deaths, Boone Manwaring keeps his promise to Charlene's father and takes her to Richmond, Virginia. But the region is caught up in the Civil War; as "northerners," they face danger in a hostile south. Sequel to *Chariots in the Smoke (RC 44948)*. 1998.

Eating Chinese Food Naked RC 47741
by Mei Ng
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Ruby Lee moves back home above the family laundry in Queens after college, not knowing what to do with her life. She feels sorry for her immigrant mother and is also not ready to move in with her boyfriend Nick. Drifting, she takes a temp job. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

The Last True Cowboy RC 47742
by Kathleen Eagle
read by Sharon Murray
3 cassettes
With their father and brother dead, Julia and Dawn Weslin and their grandmother, Sally, struggle to save the High Horse Ranch and to protect the wild mustangs that their neighbors want destroyed. Horse trainer K.C. Houston may be the answer to their prayers. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Sky Trillium RC 47744
by Julian May
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
An evil magic has caused several natural disasters on the World of Three Moons. Only Sky Trillium, the united talismans of Kadiya, Haramis, and Queen Anigel, can stop it. But Anigel has lost hers, and Kadiya's has lost its power. Meanwhile someone is trying to steal all three charms. The women must prevent such a catastrophe. Sequel to *Blood Trillium (RC 36708)*. 1996.

Faun and Games RC 47745
by Piers Anthony
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Alerted by D. Mentia that Branch Faun's kindred spirit tree is drooping, Forrest Faun discovers that Branch disappeared into the Void while chasing a nymph. Branch's tree will lose its magic without a faun or nymph to protect it. So Forrest travels to another world to seek advice from the Good Magician Humfrey. The twenty-first Xanth novel. 1997.

The Blood of the Covenant: A Novel of the Vampiric RC 47747
by Brent Monahan
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Princeton University librarians Simon Penn and Frederika Vanderveen steal the ancient Scrolls of Ahriman that are sought by both the vampire world and the Vatican. Pursued by vampires, they try to unravel the scrolls' prophecy before time runs out. Sequel to *The Book of Common Dread (RC 37408)*. Some strong language and some violence. 1995.

The Notebooks of Don Rigoberto RC 47771
by Mario Vargas Llosa
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Alfonso schemes to reunite his father, Don Rigoberto, and his stepmother, Lucrecia, despite the fact that he had orchestrated their earlier breakup. Throughout these machinations, all three indulge their erotic fantasies about each other. Don Rigoberto records his imaginary exploits in a revealing testimonial to the psychology of love and desire. Some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Island of the Swans RC 47813
by Ciji Ware
read by Laura Giannarelli
4 cassettes
Jane Maxwell and Thomas Fraser played in the streets of Edinburgh as children in the 1760s. When they reach adulthood and plan to marry, their families object. After Thomas goes off to war and is reported dead, Jane weds Alexander, duke of Gordon. But Thomas is in America and alive. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1988.

Inner Harbor: Quinn Brothers Trilogy, Volume 3 RC 47824
by Nora Roberts
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Quinn brothers Ethan, Cameron, and Phillip continue trying to officially adopt Seth, the young boy their father brought into the family. They also want to prove their father did not commit suicide. Dr. Sybill Griffin's arrival complicates their efforts. Sequel to *Rising Tides (RC 46842)*. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

Archangel RC 47829
by Robert Harris
read by David Cutler
3 cassettes
Historian Fluke Kelso is in Moscow to present a paper on Stalin. He is confronted by Papu Rapava, a former KGB bodyguard who drunkenly confides that he knows the whereabouts of Stalin's private papers. Kelso wonders whether he is being conned but decides to pursue the leads. Some strong language. Bestseller 1998.

A Murder on the Appian Way RC 47844
by Steven Saylor
read by Richard Davidson
3 cassettes
Publius Clodius and Titus Milo are archenemies, so when Clodius is found murdered on the Appian Way, many assume Milo is guilty. His defense calls in Gordianus the Finder to investigate. But soon riots break out, looting and burning occur throughout the city, and many are killed—including Gordianus's longtime bodyguard, Belbo. Sequel to *The Venus Throw (RC 43363)*. 1996.

Cat with an Emerald Eye: A Midnight Louie Mystery RC 47845
by Carole Nelson Douglas
read by J.P. Linton
3 cassettes
Temple Barr, public relations expert for the Crystal Phoenix in Las Vegas, attends a Halloween night seance, intended to resurrect the spirit of Harry Houdini. Before the event is over, one of the psychics is dead. With the help of her cat, Midnight Louie, Temple finds herself investigating a murder that may involve her ex-boyfriend, Max Kinsella. 1996.

The Queen's Man: A Medieval Mystery RC 47849
by Sharon Kay Penman
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
In 1193, young Justin de Quincy aids a goldsmith who has been attacked by thieves. The dying goldsmith entrusts the boy with a letter for the queen concerning her missing son, King Richard. Upon receipt of the letter, the queen commissions de Quincy to probe the goldsmith's murder. Violence. 1996.

Agatha Raisin and the Terrible Tourist RC 47851
by M.C. Beaton
read by Carmella Ross
1 cassette
Chasing her ex-fiancé neighbor James Lacey to Cyprus, amateur sleuth Agatha Raisin gets sidetracked by a murder in a group of tourists. Her attempt to reconcile with James is further hampered by the appearance of flirtatious Sir Charles from their Cotswold village. 1997.

Flint's Gift RC 47864
by Richard S. Wheeler
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Post-Civil War in the Arizona Territory. Editor and printer Sam Flint is invited to Payday to start a newspaper but soon finds himself embroiled in the town's power struggles. Flint's interest in Merry-Grace Rakoczy complicates matters because the influential Clayton Buell has his eye on her too. Prequel to *Flint's Truth (RC 47865)*. 1997.

The Music Lesson RC 47898
by Katharine Weber
read by Barbara Caruso
1 cassette
New York art librarian Patricia Dolan is swept by love and passion into assisting her outlaw cousin in stealing *The Music Lesson*. Alone in Ireland with the valuable painting, Patricia begins a journal describing the event and her tragic life. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Silver City RC 47907
by Li Rui
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Two families struggle for control of Silver City's salt industry in the context of violence, political intrigue, romance, and betrayal in China from the 1920s to the 1990s. Recounts the founding of the mines by the Li family and western-educated Bai Ruide's attempts to seize control. Violence and some strong language. 1997.

Reclamation RC 47932
by Sarah Zettel
read by Erik Sandvold
4 cassettes
Eric Born fled years ago from the Realm of the Nameless Powers and now works for the Vitae. When the Vitae kidnap Arla Stone from the Realm, Eric realizes they are planning to take over the planet. Eric knows he must rescue Arla so they can save their homeland. 1996.

Before She Dies RC 47950
by Steven F. Havill
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Posadas County, New Mexico. Undersheriff Bill Gastner is busy contending with a prisoner found dead in his cell and a politician's drunken daughter when Deputy Paul Enciño and reporter Linda Real are found shot in his cruiser. The deputy is dead, leaving Gastner to find the killer. Some violence. 1996.

City on Fire RC 47954
by Walter Jon Williams
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes
In this sequel to *Metropolitan (RC 42033)*, Aiah flees to Caraqui where Constantine is in charge. He appoints her to his government to head a police force against plasm thieves and resumes a personal relationship with her. Aiah faces many challenges as a countercoup brews. 1997.

The Stargazey: A Richard Jury Mystery RC 47955
by Martha Grimes
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
Richard Jury is so strangely intrigued by the attractive woman wearing a luxurious fur who boards the bus he is riding, he follows her when she leaves. A few days later, Jury learns that a woman matching her description has been found dead. Jury's investigation leads him to an art-theft ring and another murder. 1998.

The Bloody Ground: The Starbuck Chronicles, Volume 4 RC 47963
by Bernard Cornwell
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
In the sequel to *Battle Flag (RC 42564)*, Confederate Nathaniel Starbuck is reassigned to command a "punishment" battalion composed of soldiers who are just no good. Heading north with Robert E. Lee's forces, the men end up at the

bloody battle of Sharpsburg in Maryland. Some violence. 1996.

The Abduction RC 47968
by James Grippando
read by Randy Wieck
2 cassettes
October 2000. In a hot presidential race, attorney general Allison Leahy is pitted against African American general Lincoln Howe. Days before the election Lincoln's twelve-year-old granddaughter is kidnapped. Trying to remain objective while investigating, Allison fights memories of her daughter's kidnapping. Some violence and some strong language. 1998.

The Predators RC 47969
by Harold Robbins
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Jerry Cooper, the son of a numbers man, learns at an early age about doing business in New York, beginning with family treachery. In France during World War II, he gets involved in the bottled-water business and eventually returns home to prove his mettle. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Quite a Year for Plums RC 47972
by Bailey White
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Life in a small south-Georgia town centers around the daily goings-on of divorced plant pathologist Roger Meadows and the women who worry about him. Roger falls in love with a bird painter, Della, who is in town for a short year to fulfill her artistic whims. 1998.

Do You Want to Know a Secret? RC 47977
by Mary Jane Clark
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
When television news anchor Bill Kendall doesn't show up for work one evening, Eliza Blake, morning anchor, takes over. Halfway through the broadcast, she is fed shocking news—Bill has been found dead. His death not only thrusts Eliza into an unwanted limelight, but also results in the uncovering of other deadly secrets. 1998.

The Ballad of Frankie Silver RC 47980
by Sharyn McCrumb
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Tennessee Sheriff Spencer Arrowood finds parallels between a nineteenth-century murder and one he investigated twenty years ago. In 1833 Frankie Silver was the first woman hanged in North Carolina. Another murderer is bound for the electric chair for a crime committed on the Appalachian Trail. Both cases leave unanswered questions. Some violence. 1998.

Matters of Chance RC 47981
by Jeannette Haien
read by John Polk
4 cassettes
Ohio, 1937. Morgan Shurtliff falls in love with Maud Leigh the first time he sees her. The only unhappiness in their marriage is Maud's infertility. They consult Zenobia Sly, who locates twin girls for them to adopt. Throughout Morgan's military service and legal practice, he keeps Miss Sly informed about the children. 1997.

Petey RC 47984
by Ben Mikaelsen
read by Randy Wieck
1 cassette
In 1920 Petey Roy Corbin is born with cerebral palsy but misdiagnosed as retarded and abandoned in an insane asylum. Although neglected, over the years Petey makes a few friends. As an elderly man in a nursing home, Petey befriends teenager Trevor Ladd, who makes life more enjoyable. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

The Last Great Snake Show RC 47986
by Tim McLaurin
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Four loyal workers and a stowaway take their striptease and rattlesnake handling show on the road in an old gospel bus headed from North Carolina to Oregon. They are taking their dying manager back to her home and sorting out some personal issues on the way. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Once in a Lifetime RC 47990
by Danielle Steel
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Internationally acclaimed author Daphne Fields lies in an intensive-care unit after being struck by a car on Christmas Eve. Flashbacks reveal the tragedies in her life: the loss of her husband and daughter in a fire, her son's deafness, and the accidental death of her lover. Descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1982.

Suspicion of Deceit RC 47991
by Barbara Parker
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Attorney Gail Connor's new client, the Miami Opera, is having a problem with the baritone they've hired: he has recently performed in Cuba, and the exile community is in an uproar. When several murders occur, even Gail's fiancé, exile Anthony Quintana, becomes a suspect. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Last of the Duanes RC 48000
by Zane Grey
read by Randy Atcher
2 cassettes
At twenty-three Buck Duane realizes he has inherited the killer instinct when he is provoked by a drunken cowboy. This first gunfight makes him an outlaw fugitive, constantly at risk until offered a second chance: to redeem his name as a Texas Ranger. Written in 1913. Some violence. 1996.

Ask Mariah RC 48001
by Barbara Freethy
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
Michael Ashton is raising his six-year-old twin daughters alone following their mother's death. The girls think she is coming back, and the crystal ball from their grandmother says they can find their mother at school. When they arrive at summer school, they find Joanna Wingate, a look-alike of their mother. Some descriptions of sex. 1997.

White Mare's Daughter RC 48004
by Judith Tarr
read by Mitzi Friedlander
5 cassettes
Prehistoric epic set in Old Europe por-

trays a nomadic tribe of warrior horsemen confronting a peaceful matriarchal society. The warrior king's twin offspring, Agni and Sarama, pursue different paths in search of separate destinies but come together to forge a new social order. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

***The Knife Thrower* and Other Stories**
RC 48008
by Steven Millhauser
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
Twelve fantastical stories explore themes such as crossing the line of acceptablility. In the title piece an itinerant knife thrower with a reputation for remarkable control and skill tantalizes his audience with the thrill of wounding—perhaps even murdering—volunteers. 1998.

Brushback: A Rocksburg Novel
RC 48009
by K.C. Constantine
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Ex-baseball player Bobby ("the Brushback Kid") Blasco is found beaten to death in an alley. Rugs Carlucci, acting police chief of Rocksburg, Pennsylvania, hunts for the killer and discovers how degenerate Blasco was. Carlucci also has other problems to contend with—city politics, dating, and his hypochondriac mother. Strong language and violence. 1998.

A Shoot on Martha's Vineyard: A Martha's Vineyard Mystery RC 48010
by Philip R. Craig
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
In a battle between environmentalists and natives, state bureaucrat Lawrence Ingalls is found murdered on the beach. Since retired Boston policeman J.W. Jackson is the prime suspect after a public fight with the man, he investigates on his own. Meanwhile his beautiful wife, Zee, is hired as an extra by a film company making a movie on the island. Some violence and some strong language. 1998.

***Coyote* v. *Acme* RC 48017**
by Ian Frazier
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
Twenty-two humorous short stories from *Atlantic Monthly*, the *New Yorker*, and *Army Man*. In the title story, an attorney presents the case of Wile E. Coyote's product liability claim against the Acme Company. "The Last Segment" pertains to the final *Mary Tyler Moore Show*, and "Dial W-H-Y W-O-R-K" discusses the No-Show Jobs Hotline. 1996.

Beyond the Great Snow Mountains
RC 48032
by Louis L'Amour
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Ten stories of adventure, crime, and sports, written in the 1940s and 1950s. In the title piece, American Anna Doone survives a small-plane crash in remote China, marries a tribal leader, and after his death faces a dilemma—whether to flee, taking her fourteen-year-old son (the tribe's designated leader) with her. 1999.

Oyster RC 48054
by Janette Turner Hospital
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
The arrival of Oyster, a religious con man, results in disaster for the tiny opal-mining town of Outer Maroo in

Australia's outback. Though the people are suspicious of outsiders, Oyster draws some into his commune. Those who oppose him disappear. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1996.

Victor: A Novel Based on the Life of the Savage of Aveyron RC 48057
by Mordicai Gerstein
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
A fictional account of the capture of a wild boy in France in 1800 and attempts to civilize him. His filthy appearance, lack of clothes, and inability to speak indicate years of bare subsistence in the woods. The youth's resistance to change adds to his guardians' frustrations. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Blood Debt RC 48064
by Tanya Huff
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Vampire and romance writer Henry Fitzroy is being haunted by a ghost whose screams are deadly. Fitzroy asks private investigator Vicki Nelson for assistance in resolving the matter. Sequel to *Blood Pact (RC 39821)*. Some strong language. 1997.

How I Spent My Last Night on Earth RC 48068
by Todd Strasser
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
Senior Allegra ("Legs") arrives to find her high school in commotion: an announcement on the Internet says the earth will be struck by an asteroid tonight! As the excitement mounts, surfer Andros Bliss—the guy Legs fantasizes about—notices her. She decides to spend her last hours with him. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

Parable of the Talents RC 48070
by Octavia E. Butler
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
In *Parable of the Sower (RC 39777)*, Lauren Oya Olamina established the community of Acorn, inhabited by followers of her Earthseed religion. Now with the election of Christian fundamentalist Reverend Andrew Steele Jarret as U.S. president, the residents of Acorn are in grave danger, including Lauren's infant daughter. Strong language and some violence. 1998.

Season of Snows and Sins: An Inspector Henry Tibbett Mystery RC 48080
by Patricia Moyes
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes (Reissue)
While visiting their sculptor friend in the Alpine village of Montarraz, Scotland Yard inspector Henry Tibbett and his wife, Emmy, investigate a case involving a young wife accused of murdering her ski instructor husband. Some strong language. 1971.

Regeneration RC 48082
by Pat Barker
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Based on the true story of two men who met during World War I—Dr. William Rivers, a renowned neurologist, and Siegfried Sassoon, an officer and poet. In July 1917, Sassoon writes a letter protesting the war and is sent to the Craiglockhart War Hospital for evaluation. There he and Rivers debate the struggle between conscience and civic responsibility. Prequel to *The Eye in the Door (RC 48083)*. 1991.

The Eye in the Door RC 48083
by Pat Barker
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
London, 1918. As Britain faces defeat by Germany, pacifists and homosexuals are scapegoated as potential traitors. It is unfortunate for Lieutenant Billy Prior, a bisexual who has a split personality, that when he is released from Craiglockhart War Hospital, he is assigned to British Intelligence. Once again he needs the help of Dr. Rivers. Sequel to *Regeneration (RC 48082)*. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Miss Ophelia RC 48085
by Mary Burnett Smith
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Rural Virginia, 1948. Eleven-year-old Isabel "Belly" Anderson must spend the summer in a neighboring town helping her mean aunt recuperate from an operation. Once there, the young African American takes piano lessons from her mother's friend Ophelia. Belly learns many adult secrets during her vacation and the meaning of love and loyalty. Some strong language. 1997.

The Morning River RC 48091
by W. Michael Gear
read by Chuck Benson
4 cassettes
1825. Harvard philosophy student Richard Hamilton travels to St. Louis for his father's business. Once there, he is sold as an indentured deckhand to adventurers who are establishing an illegal trading post. He rescues a Shoshone woman, "Heals Like a Willow," and falls in love. Prequel to *Coyote Summer (RC 48092)*. Some violence. 1996.

Yellowstone: Skye's West RC 48098
by Richard S. Wheeler
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
1850. Mister Skye agrees to guide a party of Britons, led by Lord Frazier, to hunt buffalo and view the Yellowstone. Skye is also British and wanted at home, but he doesn't expect trouble. When a rabid wolf attacks Skye, however, Frazier seizes him for trial. With his Native American wives mourning him prematurely, Skye gives up hope of surviving. Some violence and some strong language. 1990.

Glory RC 48104
by Vladimir Nabokov
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In 1919 young Martin Edelweiss flees Russia with his mother. Eventually he attends Cambridge University and socializes with other Russian expatriates in Britain. He falls in love with Sonia Zilanov and tries to impress her by sneaking back to the Soviet Union for a brief adventure. 1932.

The Honk and Holler Opening Soon RC 48105
by Billie Letts
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
Caney Paxton, a Vietnam vet who has lost the use of his legs, runs a small roadside cafe in Sequoyah, Oklahoma. The regulars at the Honk and Holler are surprised when Caney hires first a Native American waitress and later a Vietnamese cook. The two newcomers soon bring life to the cafe's humdrum routine. 1998.

Fertile Ground RC 48108
by Rochelle Krich
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
Dr. Lisa Brockman, an Orthodox Jew, works for her fiancé, Dr. Matthew Gordon, at a fertility clinic. Lisa is terrified when a female donor is murdered, money is missing, and Matthew disappears. The clinic is soon accused of switching eggs, and an Orthodox client questions the morality of infertility treatments. Some violence. 1998.

Power RC 48115
by Linda Hogan
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
At sixteen, Omishto struggles to come to terms with her Native American Taiga heritage. Her problem is compounded when her spiritual mother, Ama, kills a sacred panther and refuses to defend herself before the tribal elders. As the only witness, Omishto tries to understand her responsibilities to Ama and to herself. 1998.

A Lover's Almanac RC 48116
by Maureen Howard
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
Story of two pairs of lovers: one young and the other young at heart. A New Year's Eve party gone awry leaves artist Louise Moffett and lover Artie Freeman at odds. Meanwhile, Artie's grandfather finds romance with a long-lost love. Some strong language. 1998.

The Way I Found Her RC 48118
by Rose Tremain
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Lewis's thirteenth summer is spent in Paris with Valentina Gavril, a novelist, and Lewis's mother, who is Valentina's translator. When Valentina mysteriously disappears, the infatuated Lewis is desperate to find her—until he, too, is taken by her abductors. Their captivity brings them closer but ends in tragedy. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1997.

The Black Tulip RC 48120
by Milt Bearden
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Afghanistan, 1986. CIA agent Alexander Fannin has to quit his job after his marriage to a Russian woman. He is then recruited unofficially to assist Afghan rebels fight the Soviet invasion. During a prisoner exchange, Fannin finds himself in a position to help his wife's cousin, a colonel in the KGB, defect. 1998.

***The Tonto Woman* and Other Western Stories RC 48126**
by Elmore Leonard
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
A collection of nineteen westerns. In the title story, an exiled wife tattooed by Indians gets her self-esteem back with the help of a cattle rustler. In "The Colonel's Lady," a captive woman rescues herself from the clutches of a lone Apache. Some violence. 1998.

The Plum Thicket RC 48128
by Janice Holt Giles
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes (Reissue)
A grandmother returns to the dusty Arkansas town where she spent her most unforgettable summer with her own grandparents in the early 1900s. At age eight, with acute perception but little understanding, she became a cen-

tral character in a tense drama involving her aunt, her grandmother, a young doctor, and a housemaid. 1954.

Falling Slowly RC 48131
by Anita Brookner
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
Depicts the relationship between two sisters and describes their orderly existence. Miriam, the elder, is a translator, and Beatrice is a pianist, but—apart or together—both lead sedate, solitary lives. Miriam contemplates their searches for love and even ventures into marriage and an affair, while Beatrice finds romance in novels. 1998.

Betty Zane RC 48134
by Zane Grey
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Recounts the family stories about Betty Zane, the capture of her brother Isaac by a Native American princess, Betty's suitors, the successful defense of Fort Henry against the British in 1782, and Betty's race for her life. Grey's first novel about pioneer days, written in 1903. 1903.

Dinosaur Summer RC 48135
by Greg Bear
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
1947. Fifteen-year-old Peter is accompanying his father to Venezuela to return the last of the captive dinosaurs to their natural habitat. Members of a dinosaur circus join them on their arduous journey through jungles and across rivers. When they arrive, they are stranded with the beasts. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

To the Last Man RC 48136
by Zane Grey
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Many years before, a Texan had stolen the heart of a girl already promised to another man. The betrayal sparks a smoldering hatred that explodes into a war that makes the Tonto Basin run red with blood. 1922.

Bittersweet RC 48137
by Danielle Steel
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
India Taylor left a successful photojournalism career to settle down as a soccer mom. Seventeen years and four children later, she longs for some excitement. She meets and befriends tycoon Paul Ward, who encourages her to take risks. When Paul is suddenly free, India must make some choices. Bestseller 1999.

The Spirit of the Border: A Romance of the Early Settlers in the Ohio Valley RC 48142
by Zane Grey
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
This is a version of the 1777 massacre of a small band of Christian Native Americans who lived in the Village of Peace founded by Moravian missionaries. It involves Lewis Wetzel and Jonathan Zane against Jim Girty. First published in 1906. Some violence. 1906.

Stardust of Yesterday RC 48145
by Lynn Kurland
read by Gabriella Cavallero
3 cassettes
Genevieve Buchanan owns a successful restoration company. She is told she has inherited an English castle—that just

has a few minor quirks. When she arrives at Seakirk Keep, Genevieve discovers that her inheritance includes Kendrick de Piaget, a thirteenth-century ghost with a charming bag of tricks. Some descriptions of sex. 1996.

Goodnight, Nebraska RC 48146
by Tom McNeal
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
Teenager Randall Hunsacker is exiled to the small town of Goodnight, Nebraska, after shooting his mother's boyfriend. He eventually integrates into the mainstream and marries a cheerleader. His life does not progress smoothly, however, until his wife leaves him and he realizes what he is missing. Some violence and some strong language. 1998.

This Is My Daughter RC 48149
by Roxana Robinson
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
When Emma marries Peter Chatfield, his seven-year-old Amanda has already become a nasty, belligerent child. Emma's daughter Tess, by contrast, is a warm, loving toddler. Over the next eight years, Amanda's problems multiply, leading to tragic consequences for the marriage and for Tess. Some strong language. 1998.

Rainbow's End RC 48154
by Rex Beach
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Only Don Estéban Varona and his slave Sebastian know the whereabouts of the valuable Varona treasure. Following their violent deaths, Estéban's twin children search without success. As young adults in the late 1890s, the twins and two Americans join Cuba's freedom struggle and make a surprising discovery. Some violence. 1916.

Wild Wind RC 48176
by Temple Bailey
read by MaryBeth Wise
2 cassettes
World War I has caused the separation of many couples, including seventeen-year-old Jacqueline and her boyfriend, Christopher, twenty-seven. Helping her sister Mary raise her children keeps Jacqueline busy. When she receives a letter from Christopher suggesting a New Year's Day wedding, she begins making plans—but then family obligations get in the way. 1930.

Send No Flowers RC 48198
by Sandra Brown
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Widowed Alicia Russell meets Pierce Reynolds on a disastrous camping trip she attempts with her two young sons. While Pierce is everything she wants in a man, Alicia hesitates because of her past emotional pain and the secrets that Pierce won't share. Explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1984.

Flash RC 48200
by Jayne Ann Krentz
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
When Olivia Chantry inherits half of her uncle's lighting business she already heads a successful production company. Olivia finds herself with a new partner, venture capitalist Jasper Sloan. The two didn't plan on falling in love, but then they both are threatened with blackmail. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1998.

Postmortem RC 48202
by Patricia Cornwell
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Dr. Kay Scarpetta has two problems: the first is that a serial killer is strangling women in their own bedrooms; the second is that not everyone is thrilled to have a woman as chief medical examiner. She uses computers, fingerprint-matching processors, and DNA-testing equipment to identify the killer. Violence and strong language. 1990.

A Good Doctor's Son RC 48208
by Steven Schwartz
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
1960s. David Nachman, the son of a Jewish doctor, copes with being an outsider in his Pennsylvania blue-collar town by hanging out with the wrong gang. When a drag race ends in the death of a toddler, David's future is in jeopardy. 1998.

The Best American Short Stories, 1998: Selected from U.S. and Canadian Magazines RC 48210
edited by Garrison Keillor and Katrina Kenison
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
In his introduction, guest editor Keillor says each of these twenty stories "surprised and delighted" him. Some are recollection pieces, such as "My Father on the Verge of Disgrace," by John Updike. "Elvis Has Left the Building," by Carol Anshaw, is a slice-of-life tale. Some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Idle Curiosity RC 48216
by Martha Bergland
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Retired farmer Ed Check lives in a hotel room owned by one of his ex-wives. One daughter is a recluse in town; another shows up after leaving her husband; and the third is arriving alone and pregnant. Ed loves them all and wants to protect them—if he only knew how. Some strong language. 1997.

Once upon the River Love RC 48217
by Andrei Makine
read by Randy Wieck
2 cassettes
From the vantage point of maturity, a Russian man recalls a winter in Siberia when he and two adolescent friends were under the spell of western films starring Belmondo. Each of the three perceives a different aspect of Belmondo's screen personality. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1998.

Wild at Heart RC 48221
by Patricia Gaffney
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Newly widowed Sydney Darrow returns to Michigan to live with her anthropologist father, who is studying a Canadian man raised by wolves. Sydney, unhappy about the way he is being treated, is drawn to the young man, probably in his twenties, who appears to be sensitive and also lonely. Some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Hope Mountain RC 48225
by Jon Land
read by Randy Davidson
1 cassette
Jen feels guilty that a traffic accident led to the loss of her teenage brother's leg. At an adaptive ski school, they meet instructor Jamie Brooks, who was a champion until an injury sidelined his career. Matt learns quickly and challenges Jamie

to ski a dangerous trail. Some strong language. 1998.

The Promise RC 48227
by Danielle Steel
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Michael Hillyard and Nancy McAllister are two young lovers who are determined to marry despite the objections of Michael's strong-willed mother. However, on the day of their wedding, a tragic automobile accident results in a severe test of their promise to never say goodbye to each other. Some strong language. 1978.

Crota RC 48229
by Owl Goingback
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
When an enormous bear-like monster begins attacking men, including sheriff Skip Harding, Little Hawk identifies him as Crota, an ancient evil creature. The advice of Strong Eagle, a wise medicine man, and Skip's acceptance of his Native American heritage enable Skip and Little Hawk to confront Crota. Some strong language and some violence. 1996.

A Girl Named Summer RC 48246
by Julie Garwood
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Summer Matthews feels left out when she has to watch her little brother and grandfather all summer. At bingo, however, she meets David Marshall, her brother's swimming coach. Everything looks up until Summer lies about being a jogger, and David enters them into a race. For junior and senior high readers. 1986.

We'll Meet Again RC 48275
by Mary Higgins Clark
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Socialite Molly Lasch is paroled from prison after serving time for killing her physician husband. Fran Simmons, a former classmate of Molly's who is now an investigative reporter, is assigned to do a story on her. Fran becomes convinced that Molly is innocent even though her late husband's lover is soon murdered. Bestseller 1999.

Duo RC 48286
by Marcia Muller and Bill Pronzini
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Short stories by a husband-and-wife writing team, written separately and in collaboration. In "The Cracks in the Sidewalk," a writer investigates a homeless woman in the neighborhood. In "Cache and Carry," private-eye Sharon McCone and the "Nameless Detective" join forces to find missing money. 1998.

The Best of Friends RC 48287
by Joanna Trollope
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
English antique dealer Fergus Bedford and his wife, Gina, have been friends with hotel owners Laurence and Hilary Wood for years. Fergus's announcement that he is leaving Gina sends her running to her childhood friend Laurence, jeopardizing two marriages and forcing the children of both families to deal with their parents' conflicts. 1995.

An Unfortunate Prairie Occurrence
RC 48290
by Jamie Harrison
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Former archaeologist-turned-sheriff Jules Clement of Blue Deer, Montana, has his hands full with a recent crime wave. When an old skeleton is unearthed, Clement's investigation reveals additional ancient feuds and crimes in the small community where everyone is related. Strong language and violence. 1998.

With Hope RC 48291
by Dorothy Garlock
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
Oklahoma, 1930s. Henry Ann Henry's life has always been a struggle. Now, following her father's death, she is raising her two half-siblings alone and taking care of the farm she inherited. The only joy in her life seems to be her married neighbor Tom Dolan and his young, abused son. Some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Chinook: A North-Western Story
RC 48298
by Max Brand
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Joe Harney is a greenhorn, heading for the Alaskan goldfields. On the way he joins up with Andrew Steen and his great husky dog, Chinook. Together they come to the aid of a young woman, Kate Winslow. Joe falls for Kate and helps her out of many jams. 1929.

Where There's Smoke RC 48414
by Ed McBain
read by John Stratton
1 cassette (Reissue)
Benjamin Smoke, an ex-cop, has waited all his life to see the perfect crime. He thinks he's found it when an undertaker hires him to investigate the inexplicable theft and return of several corpses. Strong language. 1975.

Thrones, Dominations RC 48415
by Dorothy L. Sayers and
Jill Paton Walsh
read by Tom Martin
2 cassettes
Lord Peter Wimsey, newly married to Harriet Vane, investigates the murder of a beautiful young woman. Theatrical producer Laurence Harwell's wife, Rosamund, has been found strangled. Wimsey must sort through the alibis of a painter, an infatuated poet, and several blackmailers, among others, to determine the actual killer. The mystery was begun by Sayers in 1936 and recently finished by Walsh. 1998.

Havana Bay RC 48429
by Martin Cruz Smith
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Last seen in *Red Square (RC 35879)*, depressed Russian detective Arkady arrives in Cuba to investigate the murder of a fellow countryman. The Cubans, including policewoman Ofelia Osorio, resent the few remaining Russians on their communist island, so Arkady is the only one interested in finding the culprit. Some strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1999.

The White House Connection RC 48434
by Jack Higgins
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
When Lady Helen Lang, the American mother of a British intelligence officer, learns that the Sons of Erin were responsible for his gruesome death, she begins to eliminate them one by one, endangering the Irish peace negotiations in the process. Companion to *The President's Daughter (RC 44760)*. Some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

The World More or Less RC 48495
by Jean Rouaud
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
In this coming-of-age story, a French teenager recounts self-deprecating incidents reflecting his myopic nonathletic proclivities and his desire to be perceived as an artistic spirit. Meanwhile, his tentative search for a girlfriend is largely an exercise of imagination. Sequel to *Of Illustrious Men (RC 46497)*. 1998.

The MacGregors: Serena—Caine RC 48553
by Nora Roberts
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Two stories about the MacGregors. In "Playing the Odds" heiress Serena works as a dealer on a cruise ship, falls for gambler Justin Blade, a Comanche, and learns how many enemies he has. In "Tempting Fate" Justin's sister Diana visits after a twenty-year separation and meets Serena's playboy brother, Caine. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1985.

Fever Season RC 48614
by Barbara Hambly
read by Richard Davidson
3 cassettes
1830s New Orleans. In this sequel to *A Free Man of Color (RC 46286)*, physician Benjamin January is busy tending to a deadly yellow fever epidemic. Runaway slave Cora LaFayette asks him to contact her husband at the home of one of his patrons—the cruel but powerful Creole, Madame Lalaurie. Some violence. 1998.

Granny Dan RC 48717
by Danielle Steel
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
When Granny Dan dies at age ninety, her granddaughter receives a bundle of letters and a pair of ballet shoes. When she has the letters translated, she discovers all the wonderful things she never asked her grandmother, Danina Petroskova, a famous Russian ballerina who danced for the czar and czarina. Bestseller 1999.

Prayers for Rain RC 48721
by Dennis Lehane
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
The apparent suicide of former client Karen Nichols bothers private investigator Patrick Kenzie. He enlists his sidekick, Bubba Rogowski, and former partner Angie Gennaro to probe the circumstances surrounding the death. Their search reveals Karen's streak of bad luck that was more than coincidental. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1999.

The MacGregors: Alan—Grant
RC 48722
by Nora Roberts
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Two stories portray Campbell-MacGregor marriages. In "All the Possibilities" Shelby Campbell almost misses out on love by refusing to date any politician—until she meets Senator Alan MacGregor. In "One Man's Art" recluse Grant Campbell meets artist Geneviève Grandeau when she stumbles into his lighthouse during a storm. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1985.

The MacGregors: Daniel—Ian
RC 48726
by Nora Roberts
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Two stories of MacGregor family ancestors. In "For Now, Forever" Scotsman Daniel MacGregor, a wealthy Bostonian, tries to convince unconventional medical student Anna Whitfield to marry him. "In from the Cold" portrays widow Alanna Flynn nursing minuteman Ian MacGregor's wounded shoulder but refusing to love another fighting man. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Alternative Medicine: Cures or Myths?
RC 46332
by Howard Facklam
read by Graci Ragsdale
1 cassette
Discusses a number of alternative medical techniques including acupuncture, herbs, biofeedback, naturopathy, rolfing, osteopathy, and macrobiotics. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1996.

Geysers: When Earth Roars RC 46522
by Roy A. Gallant
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Describes various types of geysers and their main locations in Iceland, New Zealand, Siberia, and Yellowstone National Park. Includes underwater geysers. Discusses how they function and how they are endangered. For grades 4-7. 1997.

The Dalai Lama: A Biography of the Tibetan Spiritual and Political Leader
RC 46523
by Demi
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
The life story of Lhamo Dhondup, the fourteenth Dalai Lama. Recalls

Buddhist monks identifying him as their spiritual leader when he was two years old. Describes his exile from Tibet at age twenty-four and concludes with his words upon receiving the Nobel Peace Prize in 1989. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Close Encounters: Exploring the Universe with the Hubble Space Telescope RC 46526

by Elaine Scott
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Explains how information transmitted by the repaired Hubble telescope enables scientists to study stars, planets, black holes, and galaxies. Describes the impact of this new technology on astronomers' ideas about how the universe was formed. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Views from Our Shoes: Growing Up with a Brother or Sister with Special Needs RC 46531

edited by Donald Meyer
read by Ray Dizefalo
1 cassette
Collection of forty-five essays by the brothers and sisters of children with special needs, including those who have visual or hearing impairments, cerebral palsy, developmental delays, ADD, mental retardation, autism, or other syndromes. For grades 4-7. 1997.

Her Piano Sang: A Story about Clara Schumann RC 46919

by Barbara Allman
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Allman details the life of Clara Wieck Schumann, who in 1828 gave her first full-length concert at the age of nine. She discusses Schumann's childhood and explains how her father influenced her life. The author portrays the pianist's early relationship with Robert Schumann, her father's disapproval of their marriage, and her love for her husband that lasted even after his death in 1856. For grades 3-6. 1997.

Knots in My Yo-Yo String: The Autobiography of a Kid RC 46923

by Jerry Spinelli
read by Bruce Nelson
1 cassette
Jerry Spinelli, who grew up to be an award-winning children's author, tells of his own adventure-filled childhood in Pennsylvania. His dismay to learn he wasn't really cut out to be a cowboy, his embarrassment at being the only kid at a football game with a uniform on, and his decision to punch someone just for the experience are all humorously described. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Amazing Grace: The Story of the Hymn RC 47061

by Linda Granfield
read by Maxine Wasserman
1 cassette
Presents the period 1725 to 1807 as explosive. Depicts the deplorable conditions experienced by slaves during the voyages from West Africa to Europe and the New World. Chronicles John Newton's life as a rowdy seaman, captain of a slave ship, minister, and composer of the hymn "Amazing Grace." For grades 4-7. 1997.

Shadows in the Dawn: The Lemurs of Madagascar RC 47069

by Kathryn Lasky
read by Larry Shapiro
1 cassette
Discusses the origins, characteristics, and habits of lemurs, explaining why they are found only on the island of Madagascar. Follows primatologist Ali-

son Jolly and her team of researchers as they study lemurs in their natural setting. For grades 4-7. 1998.

To the Young Environmentalist: Lives Dedicated to Preserving the Natural World RC 47640
by Linda Leuzzi
read by Lindsay Ellison
1 cassette
Biographical sketches of eight scientists who work to save the environment. Describes how they became interested in their particular field, their education, and their achievements. Includes a glossary and a brief history of the environmental movement. For grades 6-9. 1997.

Great American Businesswomen RC 47734
by Laura S. Jeffrey
read by Ann Hodapp
1 cassette
Profiles ten women who excelled in business including Maggie L. Walker, the first woman to become a bank president, and Ruth Handler, who started the Mattel toy company and eventually invented the Barbie doll. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1996.

Throw Your Tooth on the Roof: Tooth Traditions from around the World RC 47758
by Selby B. Beeler
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Describes the tooth traditions of various countries and explains why teeth fall out. In the United States, children expect the tooth fairy to bring them money when they lose a tooth. In other countries, children wait for a mouse or another animal instead. For grades K-3. 1998.

Puppies, Dogs, and Blue Northers: Reflections on Being Raised by a Pack of Sled Dogs RC 47869
by Gary Paulsen
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Companion to *Woodsong (RC 34757)*. Iditarod racer Paulsen recalls his life on the trail and at home with his beloved team of dogs. Portrays his special relationship with the lead dog, Cookie, describing the births and rearing of her pups and the sadness of retirement for both man and dog. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1996.

Toilets, Toasters, and Telephones: The How and Why of Everyday Objects RC 47895
by Susan Goldman Rubin
read by Constance Crawford
1 cassette
Presents the history and design development of household objects and machines from toilets, sinks, bathtubs, stoves, toasters, refrigerators, laundry machines, irons, and vacuum cleaners to telephones, pens, pencils, and typewriters. Discusses the concept and importance of industrial design. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1998.

They Swim the Seas: The Mystery of Animal Migration RC 47957
by Seymour Simon
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Discusses the life cycle of marine animals and plants that live in oceans around the world. Includes plankton, sea turtles, eels, tuna, salmon, whales, and lobsters. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Destination: Jupiter RC 47964
by Seymour Simon
read by Lou Harpenau
1 cassette
Presents the physical characteristics of the planet Jupiter and its moons. Includes information sent back by automated space probes. For grades 3-5. 1998.

Food Fight: A Guide to Eating Disorders for Preteens and Their Parents RC 47966
by Janet Bode
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Assesses the causes and consequences of anorexia and bulimia. Includes personal stories of girls' struggles with weight and self-esteem. Concludes with advice for parents, based on the author's battle with her daughter's disorder. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1997.

Forests for the Future RC 47993
by Edward Parker
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Describes different types of forests, their importance to human life, their effect on the environment, products made from them, and ways to protect them. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Fuels for the Future RC 47994
by Steve Parker
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Discusses various types of fuel, including gas, oil, wood, coal, diesel compounds, and solar and nuclear energy. Describes how we use them and the dangers they may pose. Considers future prospects for these power resources. For grades 3-6. 1998.

The Story of Karate: From Buddhism to Bruce Lee RC 47996
by Luana Metil and Jace Townsend
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Discusses the history of karate and the four major types that have developed from diverse countries and philosophies. Covers the popularity of martial arts in America and their role in Hollywood. For grades 5-8. 1995.

Can It Really Rain Frogs? The World's Strangest Weather Events RC 48095
by Spencer Christian and Antonia Felix
read by Bruce Nelson
1 cassette
Weather is the sum of the outdoor conditions occurring daily. The authors discuss clouds, wind, rain, thunder and lightning, and hurricanes and tornadoes; answer questions like the one in the title; and present experiments, such as making a rain gauge and creating static electricity. For grades 4-7. 1997.

Career Ideas for Kids Who Like Science RC 48123
by Diane Lindsey Reeves
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Presents profiles of scientists, including a robotics technician, an astronomer, a veterinarian, a landscape architect, and an educator, to demonstrate career opportunities for children who like to experiment and observe. Suggests activities and resources to help young people recognize their own interests and abilities. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow: America's Beloved Poet RC 48192
by Bonnie L. Lukes
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Traces Longfellow's nineteenth-century youth in Portland in what was then the District of Maine, his years at Bowdoin College, foreign travels, and rise to fame. He was thirteen when he wrote his first poem, "The Battle of Lovell's Pond." For grades 6-9. 1998.

Neil Armstrong: The First Man on the Moon RC 48204
by Barbara Kramer
read by Randy Atcher
1 cassette
Explores the astronaut training and flight that led Neil Armstrong to become the first astronaut to walk on the moon on July 20, 1969. This biography details Armstrong's strong work ethic and educational accomplishments, along with his private life. For grades 6-9. 1997.

Orphan Train Rider: One Boy's True Story RC 48206
by Andrea Warren
read by Randy Atcher
1 cassette
History of the social program that transported thousands of homeless children from the east coast to other parts of the United States for adoption between 1854 and 1930. In alternate chapters, Lee Nailling recounts his personal experience as an orphan train rider. For grades 4-7. 1996.

The Drop in My Drink: The Story of Water on Our Planet RC 48213
by Meredith Hooper
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
Discusses where water comes from, why it is important, and how it behaves. Traces drops of water as they create a force that helps shape the planet Earth. Explains the water cycle, from sky to ground and back. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Accidents May Happen RC 48224
by Charlotte Foltz Jones
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Jones discusses fifty inventions and discoveries that came about by mistake. She describes the creation of some well-known breakfast cereals, the telephone, and matches, as well as several vaccines, dynamite, and dyes for clothing. For grades 4-7. 1996.

Made in China: Ideas and Inventions from Ancient China RC 48235
by Suzanne Williams
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Introduces scientific discoveries, inventions, and great thinkers of ancient China. Topics include the production of bronze, paper, silk, and porcelain, as well as the crossbow, seismograph, and compass. Presented in chronological order with brief historical notes on the corresponding dynasty. For grades 4-7. 1996.

Aviation: Reaching for the Sky RC 48236
by Don Berliner
read by Randy Atcher
1 cassette
A history of aviation beginning with hot

air balloons and ending with manned flights into space. The author traces human fascination with flying from attempts to strap on wings to efforts to break the sound barrier. He discusses the dirigible, glider, airplane, seaplane, and helicopter. For grades 5-8. 1997.

Guts and Glory: Making It in the NBA
RC 48389
by Ken Rappoport
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
Describes the success of ten players in the National Basketball Association and obstacles they overcame to achieve stardom. Includes Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf, who has Tourette's Syndrome; Muggsy Bogues, who is one of the shortest players ever; and Reggie Miller, who was born with pronated hips. For grades 4-7. 1997.

Outrageous Women of Ancient Times
RC 48496
by Vicki Leon
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Introduces twenty extraordinary women from various cultures spanning four thousand years. Selected for thinking and acting independently in societies that did not encourage liberated females, these subjects represent the Roman Empire, Greece, Egypt, the Middle East, China, and Vietnam. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Outrageous Women of the Middle Ages
RC 48497
by Vicki Leon
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Fifteen biographical sketches of talented women from the Medieval era spanning the globe from Europe to Japan. These queens, empresses, and religious leaders produced books, poetry, musical compositions, artwork, and even architectural feats. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Animals Eat the Weirdest Things
RC 48715
by Diane Swanson
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Explains some of the strange eating habits of various animals: why vampire bats drink blood, squirrels eat antlers, vultures prefer rotting flesh, and some insects and slugs choose books for food. Combines fascinating facts with scientific explanations. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Mark McGwire: A Biography RC 48720
by Jonathan Hall
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Describes the life and career of first baseman Mark McGwire. Details his family life and upbringing, his early career including playing in the 1984 Olympics, and his major league recruitment. Highlights the 1998 race with Sammy Sosa to break Roger Maris's single season home-run record. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Cassettes Fiction

Jack's Black Book RC 46329
by Jack Gantos
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Now in the seventh grade, Jack feels like a total misfit at a vocational school where wood shop is taught three days a week. He feels hopeless after failing an IQ test to qualify for another school.

What Jack really wants is to be a writer, so he carries around a black notebook hoping for inspiration from his muse. For grades 5-8. 1997.

Boom Town RC 46525
by Sonia Levitin
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
When Amanda, her mother, and her siblings arrive in California, they do not want to live in the gold fields where their father is panning for gold. So they build a small cabin in town, though it's just a stage stop and a few cabins. But when Amanda bakes one of her pies and sells it to the miners, she starts a chain of events that makes the town grow. For grades 2-4. 1998.

Gabby Growing Up RC 46528
by Amy Hest
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Today is Grandpa's birthday, and Gabby has made him a pair of bright orange mittens, with just a little help from Mama. She can hardly wait to give them to him. But on the way to the city, Gabby has her hair cut in the short, perky style of a teenager she and Mama saw on the train. Then they worry that Gabby may look too grown up. For grades K-3. 1998.

The Old Woman and the Wave RC 46529
by Shelley Jackson
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
An old woman lives in a house right underneath a big wave. The wave would never fall on the lady because it loves her and the sound of her voice. But the old lady, having lived under the wave all her life, does not appreciate it. That is, until a young girl comes along and points out how the wave could take the lady a long way if she wanted to go. For grades K-3. 1998.

Possum and the Peeper RC 46530
by Anne Hunter
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
Possum is snuggled up in his warm winter nest when suddenly he is awakened by a loud noise: "Peep! Peep! Peep!" Knowing he won't get back to sleep, Possum decides to find out who is being so rude, so early in the spring. Along the way he is joined by a pair of catbirds, a bear, and a muskrat. For grades K-3. 1998.

Poppy and Rye RC 46767
by Avi
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
New adventures unfold for Poppy, a deer mouse, when she sets out to find the parents of Ragweed, her boyfriend who was killed by Mr. Ocax, an owl. She meets Rye, Ragweed's younger brother, but before they declare their mutual attraction, they face many threats from the beavers whose dam is flooding Rye's family home. Sequel to *Poppy (RC 42709)*. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Sammy Keyes and the Hotel Thief RC 46780
by Wendelin Van Draanen
read by Anne Mullen
1 cassette
Samantha (Sammy) Keyes starts seventh grade in a couple of days, but in the meantime she is stuck in the apartment where she lives with her grandmother. Needing something to do, Sammy spends time looking out the window through a pair of binoculars. When she sees a burglary take place in the "seedy"

hotel across the street, Sammy gets involved and in trouble. For grades 6-9. 1998.

Return to Hawk's Hill RC 46914
by Allan W. Eckert
read by June Carter
1 cassette
Adrift in a rowboat on Lake Winnipeg, seven-year-old Ben MacDonald is rescued by Little Buffalo, a Metis Indian. Ben's ability to befriend animals impresses the Metis during his stay with them and leads to friendship between Ben's family and the Metis. Sequel to *Incident at Hawk's Hill (RC 38913)*. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Spider Boy RC 46915
by Ralph Fletcher
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Seventh-grader Bobby Ballenger is having a difficult time adjusting to a new school. He is a loner and spends a lot of time with his pet tarantula, Thelma. The kids at school call him Spider Boy. Bobby also makes up a lot of stories, and before long, he finds himself caught in the web of one of his own tales. For grades 5-8. 1997.

Mr. Ape RC 46916
by Dick King-Smith
read by Arnie Warren
1 cassette
Mr. Ape is an old man, suddenly free of wife and offspring, living in his family estate, Penny Royal. Happy to make his own decisions, he lives in the kitchen and buys hens to keep in the living room. He befriends Jake and his father, Joe—traveling gypsies who prove to be kindred spirits. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Ribbons RC 46917
by Laurence Yep
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Robin's family is put on a strict budget in order to bring her grandmother over from Hong Kong. Robin is upset that she has to sacrifice a promising ballet career. Practicing unsupervised harms her feet, something she discovers she has in common with her grandmother's bound ones. For grades 5-8. 1992.

I Was a Third Grade Science Project RC 46918
by Mary Jane Auch
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Josh's best friend Brian comes up with an odd idea for their science fair project: hypnotizing Brian's dog, Arful, into thinking he's a cat. After a few sessions with the crystal, Arful may not feel like a cat, but Josh certainly does! For grades 2-4. 1998.

Bat 6 RC 47049
by Virginia Euwer Wolff
read by Marilyn Gleason
2 cassettes
1949. The sixth-grade girls of Bear Creek Ridge and Barlow are preparing for their annual softball game. Bear Creek is happy to have first-baseman Aki home from a Japanese internment camp. Barlow's new girl, Shazam, is a phenomenal player but harbors hatred and anger about the war. No one anticipates the tragedy that occurs during the game. For grades 5-8. 1998.

The Butterfly Lion RC 47068
by Michael Morpurgo
read by Gillian Wilson
1 cassette
When a ten-year-old boy runs away from an English boarding school, he encounters an elderly woman who tells him about an earlier runaway, Bertie, who had a pet white lion. Over tea and scones, she explains why Bertie carved the image of the lion into the hillside, and why the boy should return to his school. For grades 3-6. 1996.

The Fires of Merlin: The Lost Years of Merlin, Book 3 RC 47308
by T.A. Barron
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes
Now fourteen, Merlin has built a small harp—the next step in developing his wizard powers. But as the first chord is plucked, the instrument bursts into flame, and Urnalda, ruler of the dwarves, summons Merlin to save her people from the dragon Valdearg. Sequel to *The Seven Songs of Merlin (RC 47307)*. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Moses Goes to a Concert RC 47373
by Isaac Millman
read by Lindsay Ellison
1 cassette
Moses and his classmates, who are deaf, go to a concert with their teacher. Performing with the orchestra is a percussionist who is also deaf. For grades K-3. 1998.

Holes RC 47444
by Louis Sachar
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Stanley Yelnats IV finds himself in a detention center for possessing stolen property that he didn't take. While digging holes under the summer Texas sun, he sees a fellow inmate running away—and follows him. Legends, loyalty, and buried treasure are revealed as Stanley learns to survive. For grades 5-8. Newbery Medal. 1998.

The Indian in the Cupboard RC 47446
by Lynne Reid Banks
read by Graci Ragsdale
1 cassette (Reissue)
Omri is disappointed with the miniature plastic Indian that his best friend gives him for his birthday—until the toy comes to life as a fierce Iroquois Indian only three inches tall. A witty story for grades 4-7 and older readers. 1980.

Journey to Nowhere RC 47447
by Mary Jane Auch
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
In 1815 when Mem is eleven, her father decides to move the family from their Connecticut farm to the wilderness of western New York state. Their trip in an oxen-pulled wagon is full of adventures, including the time Mem falls out of the wagon and is left behind. For grades 4-7. 1997.

The Pirate's Son RC 47450
by Geraldine McCaughrean
read by Cyn Delafield
2 cassettes
England, 1717. Penniless fourteen-year-old Nathaniel Gull, expelled from his horrid boarding school, decides to sail to Madagascar with Tamo White, a pirate's son, and his guardian. Nathaniel's younger sister Maud arrives unexpectedly, so they take her along. When they arrive at the island, the guardian

arranges to sell them to pirates. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1996.

Virtual War RC 47643
by Gloria Skurzynski
read by Jeremy Gage
1 cassette
Three young people have been genetically bred with special characteristics to fight a war in virtual reality. Raised in a virtual world, each longs to experience the real world directly, even if it involves risks. For grades 5-8. 1997.

Irene and the Big, Fine Nickel RC 47693
by Irene Smalls
read by Tracy Mickens-Hundley
1 cassette
One Saturday morning in Harlem, Irene has a disagreement with her friend Charlene. Later Irene finds a nickel and buys a raisin bun. When Charlene reappears and wants a piece of the bun, Irene remembers what her grandmother told her about being mean. For grades K-3. 1991.

Faith and the Rocket Cat RC 47810
by Patrick Jennings
read by Peter Gil
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Faith and the Electric Dogs (RC 45202),* Faith's family—including her dog Edison, who writes books—moves back to San Francisco. Faith takes another rocket trip with four companions, is stranded in the desert, and finds her long-lost cat and a way back home. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Hero's Song: The First Song of Eirren RC 47822
by Edith Pattou
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
In the kingdom of Eirren, Collun prefers gardening to fighting wars. Yet when his sister is kidnapped, Collun leaves to rescue her. On his quest he encounters a wizard, learns his true parentage, and confronts the loathsome Firewurme. Prequel to *Fire Arrow (RC 47823)*. For grades 5-8. 1991.

Catch of the Day: The Case of the Helpless Humpbacks RC 47879
by Emily Lloyd
read by Mary Ann Nichols
1 cassette
A group of young people are assigned to travel the world in a sophisticated military vehicle armed with a talking supercomputer. Their mission is to learn, explore, and assist others. Now they are off to help the whales near Nova Scotia that keep getting caught in fishing nets. For grades 4-7. 1998.

The Golden Sandal: A Middle Eastern Cinderella Story RC 47904
by Rebecca Hickox
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
The fisherman's kind and pretty daughter, Maha, saves the life of a magical red fish. As a reward, the fish grants her wishes, helps her find a husband, and even protects Maha from her stepmother's nasty tricks. Based on an Iraqi folktale. For grades K-3. 1998.

Standing Up to Mr. O. RC 47965
by Claudia Mills
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Maggie's favorite teacher is Mr. O. in biology, but when the dissection assignment draws near, Maggie becomes more and more sure she can't kill a worm. This leads to Maggie becoming a vegetarian, writing an essay on her views, and plotting to save the class frog. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Martin the Warrior RC 47979
by Brian Jacques
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
Set prior to *Mossflower (RC 36489)*, this tale recalls the making of Martin the Warrior, a young mouse proclaimed to be "a born fighter." The evil stoat Badrang the Tyrant, needing labor to build a fortress, tries to enslave Martin. Companion to *Redwall (RC 29729)*. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1993.

My Angelica RC 47982
by Carol Lynch Williams
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
High school sophomore Sage is always writing romance stories about a perfect heroine she calls Angelica. The only problem is that Sage's writing is awful. Her best friend, George, doesn't want to hurt her feelings when she enters the school's writing contest; he is secretly in love with her. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Switchers RC 47997
by Kate Thompson
read by Ann Hodapp
1 cassette
When Tess learns that Kevin also has the ability to change into the form of any animal or bird, she is happy finally to find a friend. But Kevin wants her to use her shape-shifting skills to help him investigate the freak snowstorms threatening life in the northern hemisphere. And Tess has to decide quickly. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Perloo the Bold RC 48007
by Avi
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Granter Jolaine, leader of the Montmers, summons Perloo, a quiet reader of history, to Jolaine's deathbed. She signs a proclamation naming Perloo as her successor, but her son Berwig wants to lead the tribe to war and manages to tear the proclamation in half. Perloo is in peril. For grades 4-7. 1998.

William and the Good Old Days RC 48014
by Eloise Greenfield
read by Chuck Young
1 cassette
William's grandmother is sick. She can't see anymore, and William wishes she would feel better. He remembers the good times in his grandma's restaurant last year and imagines a happy day in the future when his grandmother will be able to visit in the garden. For grades K-3. 1993.

Turtle on a Fence Post RC 48022
by June Rae Wood
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Living in a comfortable house with her aunt and uncle does not feel like "home" to Delrita. Now fourteen, she stays in her shell, missing her deceased parents. Then a World War II veteran and the Teen Buddy program gradually help Delrita to meet people halfway. Sequel to *The Man Who Loved Clowns (RC 38004)*. For grades 5-8. 1997.

The Face at the Window RC 48062
by Regina Hanson
read by Samarra Mbenga
1 cassette
Dora and her friends are knocking mangos out of the tree at Miss Nella's house when Dora hits the window and Miss Nella's face appears. Dora fears bad things will happen, and when it rains for several days, she is convinced. Then Dora's parents help her under-

stand Miss Nella's kind nature. For grades K-3. 1997.

The King's Swift Rider: A Novel on Robert the Bruce RC 48067
by Mollie Hunter
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
Scotland, 1307. While evading pursuit by the English, Robert the Bruce, king of Scots, recruits sixteen-year-old Martin as his page and eighteen-year-old Sean as a soldier in the cause to free Scotland. Martin's horse-riding skills and resourcefulness make him a worthy spy during the next seven years. Some violence. For grades 6-9. 1998.

Soft Rain: A Story of the Cherokee Trail of Tears RC 48112
by Cornelia Cornelissen
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Soft Rain is nine years old in 1838 when soldiers come to move her Cherokee tribe from North Carolina to the West. Soft Rain and her mother are forced to grab belongings and start the journey without Soft Rain's father and brother. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Seeing Lessons: The Story of Abigail Carter and America's First School for Blind People RC 48114
by Spring Hermann
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
1832. Ten-year-old Abigail and her six-year-old sister, Sophia, are among the first students chosen to attend a new school in Boston that is solely for children who are blind. The girls are homesick but thrilled at the chance to learn to read, do math and handicrafts, and play the pianoforte. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Just Juice RC 48121
by Karen Hesse
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Nine-year-old Juice has a lot to worry about. Her Pa is out of work, and Ma is expecting her sixth child. Juice likes to spend time with Pa instead of going to school, because she has trouble learning. Soon she discovers an even bigger problem—Pa can't read. For grades 3-5. 1998.

The Complete Tales of Winnie-the-Pooh RC 48132
by A.A. Milne
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette (Reissue)
The adventures of Christopher Robin, a boy, and his favorite companions—Winnie-the-Pooh, a bear; Eeyore, an old grey donkey; and Rabbit, Piglet, Kanga, and Baby Roo. Contains the unabridged texts of *Winnie-the-Pooh*, first published in 1926, and *The House at Pooh Corner*, from 1928. For grades K-3 and older readers. 1994.

Count Karlstein RC 48180
by Philip Pullman
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Switzerland, 1816. A young house servant, Hildi Kelmar, tells the tale of the Count, cruel uncle of Charlotte and Lucy. He invites the girls to visit his hunting lodge deep in the forest. But Hildi learns of his pact with Zamiel, the Demon Huntsman, and tries to protect the girls. For grades 5-8. 1982.

Brian's Return RC 48214
by Gary Paulsen
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Back in society, going to school and try-

ing to fit in, Brian savagely beats a bully who attacked him. With the help of Caleb, a blind counselor, Brian realizes that he needs to go where he belongs—in the wilderness again. Sequel to *The River (RC 34751)*. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1999.

Adam Zigzag RC 48215
by Barbara Barrie
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
A little boy calls himself "Adam Zigzag" because of the way words on paper look to him. Adam has dyslexia and learning disorders that lead to emotional problems. After years of ineffectual schools and tutors, Adam agrees to try a boarding school, where he finally finds the help he needs. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Bill and Pete; Bill and Pete Go down the Nile; Bill and Pete to the Rescue RC 48265
by Tomie De Paola
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
William Everett Crocodile ("Bill") has a best friend (also a personal toothbrush), a bird named Pete. In these three adventures, Pete helps Bill escape being turned into a suitcase, they apprehend a jewel thief, and they rescue Egyptian animals from captivity in New Orleans. For grades K-3. 1978.

The Ugly Duckling RC 48266
by Hans Christian Andersen
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
A mother duck is disappointed when the extra-large egg she has been sitting on opens, and a big, awkward chick tumbles out. The poor bird gets teased by everyone because he looks so different. But the next spring, he gets a surprise when he sees himself in the water. For preschool-grade 2. 1999.

The Place of Lions RC 48280
by Eric Campbell
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Newcomers in Tanzania, Chris Harris and his father survive a small plane crash on the Serengeti Plain. Chris will have to find help because he is the least injured, but an aged and wounded lion is following his every step. Some violence. For grades 5-8. 1990.

George Washington's Socks RC 48304
by Elvira Woodruff
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Matthew and his friends form an adventure club so they can talk about real adventures from throughout history. But at their first meeting, in which they plan to discuss George Washington's crossing of the Delaware, the members suddenly find themselves back in the time of the American Revolution. For grades 4-7. 1991.

Captain Kate RC 48305
by Carolyn Reeder
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
During the Civil War, twelve-year-old Kate is determined to make her late father's annual coal-selling trip down the C&O Canal. She reluctantly enlists her stepbrother Seth to help. Their mutual antagonism turns into cooperation as they make the hazardous journey without an adult. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Trouble River RC 48326
by Betsy Byars
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette (Reissue)
Dewey Martin dreams of leisurely ex-

cursions down the Trouble River on the *Rosey B*, his homemade raft. He and his grandmother and his dog actually use it to dodge the attack of hostile Indians, wolves, and terrifying rapids. For grades 4-7. 1969.

Phoebe the Spy RC 48334
by Judith Berry Griffin
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette (Reissue)
New York City, 1776. Freeman Samuel Fraunces entrusts his thirteen-year-old daughter, Phoebe, to the revolutionary war effort to serve as a spy. Her mission is to prevent an assassination attempt against General George Washington. Based on a true story; formerly titled *Phoebe and the General*. For grades 3-6. 1977.

The Fourth Wise Man: Based on the Story by Henry Van Dyke RC 48375
retold by Susan Summers
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Artaban plans to join the three wise men on their journey to honor the Christ child, but he is delayed because he stops to help a dying man. He goes on alone seeking the King of the Jews for many years and helping strangers on the way. For grades K-3. 1997.

Song Lee and the Hamster Hunt RC 48376
by Suzy Kline
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Song Lee's hamster has been living in Room 2B for several weeks, but one morning the class discovers that Yi has escaped from his cage. Someone forgot to fasten the hook on the door. The teacher shows the group how to make posters asking for help in finding Yi. For grades K-3. 1994.

A Handful of Beans: Six Fairy Tales RC 48400
retold by Jeanne Steig
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
"Rumpelstiltskin," "Beauty and the Beast," "Hansel and Gretel," "Little Red Riding Hood," "The Frog Prince," and "Jack and the Beanstalk" are retold in the traditional spirit with modern inflections. For grades K-3. 1998.

Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets RC 48437
by J.K. Rowling
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Despite a warning not to return to Hogwarts for his second year of wizardry studies, Harry shows up. But Harry is in danger from the opened Chamber of Secrets as well as from his would-be protector. Sequel to *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone (RC 47260)*. For grades 4-7. Bestseller 1999.

The Storyteller's Beads RC 48498
by Jane Kurtz
read by Lisette Lecat
1 cassette
When Ethiopian villagers are forced to flee toward Sudan, two young girls from different backgrounds learn to rely on each other. Sahay is from a Christian family, while Rahel is Jewish and blind. Sahay's offer to lead Rahel through the desert is the beginning of their friendship. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Second Cousins RC 48613
by Virginia Hamilton
read by Gail Nelson
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Cousins (RC 32595)*,

Cammy and her third cousin Elodie are now twelve and still recovering from the drowning death of their cousin Patty Ann. As the girls eagerly await a family reunion, they meet a New York girl who seems tied to Cammy's divorced dad. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

La Quinta Montaña RC 48071
por Paulo Coelho
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Al incurrir la ira de la reina Jezabel, el profeta Elías recibe de Dios el orden de abandonar Israel y viajar a Sidon de los fenicios. En la ciudad de Akbar, sus sermones contra Baal y más tarde la invasión de los asirios traen una avalancha de calamidades que ponen a prueba la fé del joven profeta. (After incurring the wrath of Queen Jezebel, the young prophet Elijah is ordered by God to leave Israel and travel to Sidon of the Phoenicians. In the city of Akbar, his preaching against the pagan gods and the invasion by the Assyrians bring one calamity after another and put his faith to a severe test.) 1997.

Boquitas Pintadas RC 48073
por Manuel Puig
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Novela del autor argentino que narra la historia de un Don Juan de provincias que está al borde de la muerte. Cuando Juan Carlos Etchepare aprende que está muriendo del tuberculosis, las mujeres de su vida—su madre, su hermana, sus amantes—deliran por él, lamentan su cruel destino, y parecen incapaces de ver cómos sus proprias vidas se les escapan de las manos. (Novel by the Argentinian author focuses on a dying Don Juan and the women in his life. As self-styled ladies' man Juan Carlos Etchepare learns he is dying of tuberculosis, his mother, sister, and girlfriends agonize over his fate and are unable to prevent their own lives from crumbling in their adoration for him.) 1969.

Amor, Intimidad, y Sexo: Una Guía para la Pareja Latina RC 48075
por Ana Nogales
leído por Juan Ramirez
3 cassettes
La autora es popular psicóloga de televisión y columnista de periódico. A través de varios casos de estudio, Nogales explora los problemas más comunes de la pareja anglo/latina, tales como las relaciones entre familiares, los papeles matrimoniales, el concepto del machismo, y otros temas culturales que pueden ocasionar conflictos entre parejas. Contiene descripciones de índole sexual. (A popular TV psychologist and newspaper columnist presents case studies to illustrate common problems that couples from diverse ethnic backgrounds face. Nogales discusses conflicts that arise in Latino-Anglo relationships such as differing attitudes toward family, gender roles, machismo,

and cultural values. Some descriptions of sex.) 1998.

Talking Book Magazines

Discs

These free direct-circulation magazines are produced for NLS. To be put on the mailing list, contact your cooperating library.

American Heritage (8 issues)
Analog Science Fiction and Fact (13 issues)
Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (bimonthly)
Diabetes Forecast (monthly)
The Musical Mainstream (quarterly)
The Nation (47 issues)
National Geographic (monthly)
National Review (biweekly)
Quarterly Music Magazine (quarterly)
Talking Book Topics (bimonthly)
U.S. News and World Report (weekly)

Cassettes

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The Atlantic Monthly (monthly)
Das Beste aus *Reader's Digest* (10 issues)
Bon Appétit (monthly)
Buenhogar (monthly)
Choice Magazine Listening (on loan from cooperating libraries, bimonthly)
Civilization: The Magazine of the Library of Congress (bimonthly)
Consumer Reports (monthly)
Cricket (for children, on one cassette with **National Geographic World,** monthly)
Discover (monthly)
Ebony (monthly)
Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)
Good Housekeeping (monthly plus special issues)
Health and Nutrition Newsletters (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, Healthline, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty,** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter,** monthly)
Journal Français (monthly)
Magazine of the Month (monthly)
Money (monthly plus special issues)
National Geographic World (for children and teens, on one cassette with **Cricket**, monthly)
New Choices: Living Even Better after Fifty (10 issues)
The *New York Times* Book Review (weekly)
Outdoor Life (monthly)
People Weekly (weekly plus special issues)
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Sélections du Reader's Digest (monthly)
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Stereo Review's Sound and Vision (10 issues)
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In Brief

Reminder: Last *TBT* on flexible disc

This is the last issue of *Talking Book Topics (TBT)* to be produced on flexible disc (FD). Beginning in January 2001, NLS's remaining FD magazines, including *TBT*, will be switched to cassettes. *TBT* will continue to be available in large print, on computer diskette, and online at <www.loc.gov/nls/tbt>. The braille edition of *Braille Book Review* also includes one-line annotations from *TBT*. Patrons who have been receiving *TBT* on FD will automatically receive it on cassette unless they request another format through their network library.

Magazine changes in 2001

In response to patrons' and librarians' requests, *Teen People* magazine will be available to patrons on cassette beginning in January 2001, replacing *Seventeen*. Patrons who now receive *Seventeen* in recorded format will automatically receive *Teen People* unless they request another title or cancel their subscription through their network library. *Seventeen* will continue to be produced in braille.

Newsstand

The following announcement may be of interest to readers. The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped reserves the right to publish announcements selectively, as space permits. Items mentioned, however, are not part of the NLS program, and their listing does not imply endorsement.

Art education: a multi-sensory approach. The American Printing House for the Blind (APH) announces the publication of the first three volumes of a multi-sensory series adapted for readers with impaired vision. *The Building Blocks of Art, The Art of Ancient Egypt,* and *European Modernism: 1900–1940* are part of the series "Art History through Touch and Sound," which conveys information about individual artworks and events and perspectives that have influenced major movements in art and architecture. Each volume includes tactile diagrams, photographs with large-print and braille captions, narratives on cassette, and a teacher's supplement on computer disk. The cost of the kit for each volume is $99. The teacher's supplement is available in braille for an additional $49. Diagram manuals and computer disks may also be purchased separately. For further information, visit the APH web site at <www.aph.org>, e-mail <info@aph.org>, call toll free 1-800-223-1839, or visit Art Education for the Blind at <www.arteducation.org>.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

Paris in the Fifties RC 46441
by Stanley Karnow
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
An American Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist reminisces about the decade he spent in France beginning in 1947. Based on voluminous reports written for *Time*, Karnow recalls the atmosphere of post-war Paris and provides insights into French cultural life of the 1950s. Some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Earth-Shattering Poems RC 46532
edited by Liz Rosenberg
read by Peggy Gilleland
1 cassette
An international selection of more than forty poets presented in chronological order. Includes Sappho of ancient Greece, Charles Baudelaire of France, Pablo Neruda of Chile, and J.E. Wei of Taiwan. Editor chose poems that "shook" her. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Gotham: A History of New York City to 1898 RC 47282
by Edwin G. Burrows and Mike Wallace
read by Annie Wauters
16 cassettes in 3 containers
A comprehensive history of New York City from the Ice Age to 1898. Focuses on the area as a center for commerce. Discusses inhabitants, including Native Americans, businessmen, politicians, African Americans, and immigrants. Describes impact of war and financial concerns and the city's emergence as a world-class powerhouse. 1999.

A Prima Donna's Progress: The Autobiography of Joan Sutherland RC 47305
by Joan Sutherland
read by Faith Potts
5 cassettes
Memoir of her performing career and family life by the Australian soprano. Briefly covers her early years and musical training in Australia before moving to London, where she married Richard Bonynge, her coach and conductor. Provides details of her international career as a dramatic coloratura soprano specializing in Italian and French opera. 1997.

Ruth Crawford Seeger: A Composer's Search for American Music RC 47331
by Judith Tick
read by Catherine Byers
4 cassettes
Biography of Ruth Crawford, who was

already a successful classical musician when she met fellow composer Charles Seeger. Marrying in 1932, the two became involved in radical politics. Moving to Washington, D.C., in 1936, Charles worked on the Federal Music Project, where they both became involved in the folk music movement. Ruth became a noted transcriber of folk anthologies. 1997.

Carl Gustav Jung RC 47353
by Frank McLynn
read by Dennis Rooney
5 cassettes
Examines the early days of Sigmund Freud's protege and rival, Carl Gustav Jung, and the influence of his Swiss upbringing on his theories. Details Jung's contributions to alchemy, astrology, psychotherapy, religion, the study of myth, and the theory known as synchronicity. 1996.

Taking Wing: Archaeopteryx and the Evolution of Bird Flight RC 47360
by Pat Shipman
read by Mary Woods
3 cassettes
Anthropologist discusses the evolution of birds' ability to fly and attempts to answer the question, "are birds living relatives of dinosaurs?" Begins with the 1861 discovery of a fossil with wings and feathers. Delves into the process of scientific inquiry and the detective work it entails. 1998.

My Year Off RC 47448
by Robert McCrum
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
Recalls the stroke suffered in 1995 by the forty-two-year-old editor-in-chief of the British publishing firm Faber and Faber. Describes the impact on many aspects of his life, including his two-month-old marriage to journalist Sarah Lyall. Includes day-to-day observations by both spouses during the following year. 1998.

Red-Tails in Love: A Wildlife Drama in Central Park RC 47451
by Marie Winn
read by Miriam Wagner
2 cassettes
Winn tells about joining a band of bird-watchers and nature lovers in New York City. She records stories about Central Park and its wildlife—especially a pair of captivating hawks—during a six-year period. 1998.

The Art of Dying: How to Leave This World with Dignity and Grace, at Peace with Yourself and Your Loved Ones RC 47454
by Patricia Weenolsen
read by Cyn Delafield
2 cassettes
A guide to help people facing death make the best of their remaining days and cope with practical and psychological concerns. Includes advice on preparation and planning, retaining and relinquishing control, and making the gradual transformation from a physical to a spiritual existence. 1996.

Grown-Up Children, Grown-Up Parents: Opening the Door to Healthy Relationships between Parents and Adult Children RC 47460
by Phyllis Lieber and others
read by Miriam Wagner
2 cassettes
Discusses methods of cultivating a healthy relationship with one's grown children while pursuing personal interests. Proposes ways to prevent co-de-

pendence and to accept changing lifestyles for both generations. 1994.

Report from Part One RC 47475
by Gwendolyn Brooks
read by Gail Nelson
2 cassettes
Autobiographical writings and interviews with the poet laureate born in 1917. Contains a brief account of her childhood, marriage, family, and career. Describes her increasing awareness of her racial heritage and her role as an African American poet. Includes an appendix of personal entries entitled "Collage." 1972.

Me and My Shadows: A Family Memoir RC 47492
by Lorna Luft
read by Barbara Rappaport
3 cassettes
Autobiography of singer Lorna Luft that encompasses life with her family, including mother Judy Garland, half-sister Liza Minnelli, and father Sid Luft. The performer recounts her musical career after her mother's early death, her marriages, and her struggle with drug addiction. Some strong language. 1998.

Lasting Valor RC 47493
by Vernon J. Baker
read by Chuck Young
2 cassettes
African American winner of the country's highest decoration for battlefield valor, Vernon Baker recalls his childhood in Wyoming after being orphaned at age four, his career in the army, his leadership of a platoon in Italy in World War II, and his retirement years in Idaho. President Clinton awarded him the Medal of Honor in 1997. Some violence. 1997.

Everything You Need to Know about America's Jews and Their History RC 47499
by Roy A. Rosenberg
read by David Elias
2 cassettes
Rabbi Rosenberg portrays Jewish life in America from colonial times to the 1990s. Using a question-and-answer format, he discusses the roles of Jews during the Civil War and World Wars I and II; in movements for social equality and rights for women; and in the areas of medicine, law, education, and film. 1997.

In the Land of the Taj Mahal: The World of the Fabulous Mughals RC 47521
by Ed Rothfarb
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Traces the history of the three-hundred-year Mughal dynasty in northern India. Describes the Mughals' arrival in the fifteenth century led by Babur, who conquered and remained to rule. Examines the development of Islam during the interchange of cultures, as the Mughals interacted with the local Hindu traditions. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Ballet 101: A Complete Guide to Learning and Loving the Ballet RC 47554
by Robert Greskovic
read by Bill Wallace
5 cassettes
A primer on the history of ballet and the training of dancers, with an analysis of thirteen popular ballets. Includes a glossary and videography. Foreword by Mikhail Baryshnikov. 1998.

The Tennis Partner: A Doctor's Story of Friendship and Loss RC 47652
by Abraham Verghese
read by Bruce Nelson
3 cassettes
A medical professor and avid tennis player recounts the story of his friendship with a gifted medical student who shared the same interests. Describes how their deepening relationship was corrupted when the young man became a drug addict. 1998.

Truman Capote: In Which Various Friends, Enemies, Acquaintances, and Detractors Recall His Turbulent Career RC 47682
by George Plimpton
read by Ray Hagen
4 cassettes
An "oral biography" consisting of interviews with people who recall Capote's work and personality, beginning with his childhood in Monroeville, Alabama. Discussions of his nonfiction "novel" *In Cold Blood (RC 22726)*, the social event dubbed the "black-and-white ball," and his whirl on the celebrity circuit. Some strong language. 1997.

Rat Pack Confidential: Frank, Dean, Sammy, Peter, Joey and the Last Great Showbiz Party RC 47691
by Shawn Levy
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
Levy discusses the rise and fall of the group originally named by Lauren Bacall. Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr., Peter Lawford, and Joey Bishop became some of the most popular entertainers in the early 1960s. Strong language. 1998.

Hollywood Diva: A Biography of Jeanette MacDonald RC 47763
by Edward Baron Turk
read by John Stratton
3 cassettes
Presents the career and personal life of one of America's top musical film stars of the 1930s and 1940s. Describes her performances, from the comedies with Maurice Chevalier and romantic roles with Nelson Eddy to her later recital hall concerts. Includes listings of her stage and film credits and her principal recording sessions. 1998.

Secrecy: The American Experience RC 47852
by Daniel Patrick Moynihan
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
Traces the growth of secrecy in American government as a "mode of regulation" from World War I through the end of the Cold War and beyond. Attributes several major policy errors to the penchant for classifying and restricting access to information. Advocates a culture of openness in decision making. 1998.

Water: A Natural History RC 47857
by Alice Outwater
read by Marilyn Gleason
2 cassettes
An environmental engineer advocates returning to water's natural cleansing cycle. She describes the historical symbiosis between water and the land and discusses how native animals such as buffalo, prairie dogs, and beaver can help restore water quality. 1996.

Pilgrimage on a Steel Ride: A Memoir about Men and Motorcycles RC 47870
by Gary Paulsen
read by Michael Kramer
1 cassette
In contemplating the facts of his life on his fifty-seventh birthday, Paulsen decides that having heart disease is no reason to stop having adventures. He fulfills a longtime dream to own a Harley and take to the road. He describes his reflections on his round-trip from New Mexico to Alaska. Some strong language. 1997.

From Plato to NATO: The Idea of the West and Its Opponents RC 47900
by David Gress
read by Ralph Lowenstein
6 cassettes
Explores "the logic of world history and the changing identities of Western civilization." Traces the evolution of political liberty, not just as an abstract concept, but as a positive practice that inexorably "grew because it served the interests of power." 1998.

Primate Behavior RC 47937
by Sarah Lindsay
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Poet/musician explores musical and natural history themes in sixty-eight poems. Circus animals and Joseph Merk's cello études inspire her flights of imagination in the fourteen-poem group titled "Circus Merk." In "Primate Behavior," Lindsay notes similarities in the actions of apes and humans. 1997.

From the Holy Mountain: A Journey among the Christians of the Middle East RC 48012
by William Dalrymple
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Inspired by the journey of Orthodox monk John Moschos in A.D. 578, the author recreates his itinerary, visiting Christian monasteries and churches at the eastern end of the Mediterranean. Describes his travels and his conversations with religious figures and laypeople to gain insight into a vanishing culture within the Muslim world. 1997.

Muddy Cup: A Dominican Family Comes of Age in a New America RC 48046
by Barbara Fischkin
read by Ilona Dulaski
3 cassettes
In the 1980s, Javier Almonte travels from his village in the Dominican Republic to New York. When he sends for his family, Immigration will not allow his wife Roselia to bring all of their children. She reluctantly leaves behind the two youngest children for the good of the family. 1997.

Heading South, Looking North: A Bilingual Journey RC 48065
by Ariel Dorfman
read by Jeff Baker
2 cassettes
Memoir of a Latin American exile who has faced a series of identity crises. Born in Argentina to Russian Jewish parents who moved to New York, he recalls frequent shifts in political and linguistic allegiance. Living in Chile in 1973, he viewed the military coup against president Allende as a turning point in his own development. Some strong language. 1998.

Report from Part Two RC 48088
by Gwendolyn Brooks
read by Gail Nelson
1 cassette
A selection of essays and poems about events, people, and travel that were important to Brooks. In "Keziah," she pays loving tribute to her mother. These writings are a continuation of themes found in *Report from Part One (RC 47475)*. 1996.

Been in the Storm So Long: The Aftermath of Slavery RC 48089
by Leon F. Litwack
read by Rick Foucheux
6 cassettes (Reissue)
Describes the complex changes that occurred in the southern United States after the Civil War and explains the significance of emancipation to four million slaves. Relies on private papers, records of the Freedman's Bureau, and interviews with ex-slaves compiled by the Federal Writers' Project. Prequel to *Trouble in Mind (RC 48090)*. Pulitzer Prize. 1979.

Trouble in Mind: Black Southerners in the Age of Jim Crow RC 48090
by Leon F. Litwack
read by Rick Foucheux
5 cassettes
This sequel to *Been in the Storm So Long (RC 48089)* continues the history of African Americans in the south from Reconstruction until World War I. Explores the development of social and cultural institutions. First-person narratives illustrate the hardships under which the "freedmen" lived. Violence. 1998.

George Bush: The Life of a Lone Star Yankee RC 48100
by Herbert S. Parmet
read by Jake Williams
5 cassettes
Depicts George Bush as the president who led the U.S. through the end of the cold war. Traces his youth in New England; service in the navy; years at Yale; and careers as oilman, U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, C.I.A. director, vice president, and forty-first president. 1997.

Fearless Girls, Wise Women, and Beloved Sisters: Heroines in Folktales from around the World RC 48129
edited by Kathleen Ragan
read by Catherine Byers
4 cassettes
Multicultural anthology of one hundred folktales featuring women. Resurrects neglected female protagonists—courageous mothers, clever young girls, women warriors—who rescue male relatives, rule over kingdoms, solve riddles, and outwit the opposition. Arranged by geographical areas: Europe, North and South America, Asia, the Pacific, Sub-Saharan Africa, and North Africa and the Middle East. 1998.

Anton Chekhov: A Life RC 48130
by Donald Rayfield
read by Ken Kliban
5 cassettes
Depicts the life of Anton Chekhov from his youth, years as a medical doctor, and achievement as one of Europe's leading prose-writers and dramatists in the nineteenth century. Examines his relationships with family and friends and describes the disease that altered his life. 1997.

Jussi RC 48139
by Anna-Lisa Björling and Andrew Farkas
read by Robert Blumenfeld
4 cassettes
Jussi Björling's wife and singing partner presents a portrait of the Swedish opera star, who began his musical career singing in a quartet with his father and brothers. She describes him as a gifted performer and a kind and loving man, who was caught up in a lifelong struggle with alcoholism. 1996.

Terra Incognita: Travels in Antarctica RC 48147
by Sara Wheeler
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
Detailed account of seven-month sojourn spent physically and metaphorically exploring Antarctica. While recounting her own experiences and perceptions, Wheeler includes commentaries on famous earlier explorers of the frozen expanse. Describes the landscape, people she encounters, and personal changes. 1996.

In Sam We Trust: The Untold Story of Sam Walton and How Wal-Mart Is Devouring America RC 48150
by Bob Ortega
read by Jake Williams
4 cassettes
Account of Sam Walton and the business strategy he developed to create Wal-Mart and maintain its growth. Observes that the store continues to maximize profits because of discount prices and efficient information and distribution systems. Examines the company's impact on its employees, local communities, and other corporations in the U.S. 1998.

Africans in America: America's Journey through Slavery RC 48153
by Charles Johnson and Patricia Smith
read by Bob Moore
3 cassettes
This companion to a PBS documentary series traces the development of slavery in the U.S. Details the economic forces that prompted kidnappings in Africa, language of the Declaration of Independence that motivated the enslaved to pursue freedom, and the issue of slavery that moved the nation toward civil war. 1998.

Killing the Dream: James Earl Ray and the Assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. RC 48164
by Gerald Posner
read by Jeff Baker
4 cassettes
Reexamination of King's murder in Memphis in 1968, the background of convicted killer James Earl Ray, and some conspiracy theories about the case. The lawyer-author's analysis of the murder scene and of Ray's character, criminal record, and probable motivation leads to the conclusion that Ray was the shooter and killer. 1998.

The Taliban: War, Religion, and the New Order in Afghanistan RC 48185
by Peter Marsden
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Examines the beliefs and policies of the Taliban and their rise to power. Traces the history of other radical movements in the area. Discusses the gender issue and how it affects the interactions of the Taliban with the international community. Considers foreign support and opposition to the group. 1998.

Renata Tebaldi: The Voice of an Angel
RC 48186
by Carlamaria Casanova
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Authorized biography pays tribute to the Italian soprano opera star. Traces her childhood (at three she contracted polio) and her musical education. Follows her career, her feud with Maria Callas, and her personal relationships. Includes a chronology of performances from 1944 to 1976 and a list of her recordings. 1995.

Lidia's Italian Table RC 48187
by Lidia Matticchio Bastianich
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
Bastianich presents more than 200 recipes infused with memories of her childhood in northern Italy and then her years in America. This companion to the PBS series offers a discussion of basic ingredients and includes sections on appetizers, soups, pastas, vegetables, poultry, and seafood. 1998.

Israel: A History RC 48223
by Martin Gilbert
read by Bruce Huntey
6 cassettes
Traces the history of Israel from the nineteenth century to the 1990s. Describes the Balfour Declaration of 1917, the United Nations partition resolution of 1947, and statehood in 1948. Examines the society, economy, and political events. Surveys personalities from David Ben-Gurion to Yitzhak Rabin, Shimon Peres, and Binyamin Netanyahu. 1998.

Visions of Jazz: The First Century
RC 48253
by Gary Giddins
read by Brian Conn
6 cassettes
Jazz critic presents seventy-nine essays about American performers, including some of the "big names" as well as lesser-known artists whose distinct musical expression contributed to the "magic of the jazz phenomenon." Eight chapters, roughly chronological, trace the art form's evolution. 1998.

Great Catherine RC 48283
by Carolly Erickson
read by Gabriella Cavallero
3 cassettes
Biography of the German princess Sophia, who became Catherine II, Empress of Russia, in the eighteenth century. Emphasizes her intelligence, political insight, and accomplishments in modernizing her country. Discusses her relationships with her mother, her husband, lovers, and children. Based on Catherine's memoirs and letters, and on documents written by her contemporaries. 1994.

Voices in Black and White: Writings on Race in America from *Harper's Magazine*
RC 48297
edited by Katharine Whittemore and Gerald Marzorati
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Twenty articles concerning race relations in America culled from *Harper's Magazine*, which was founded in 1850. Includes Mark Twain's observations regarding his mother and her slaves and William Styron's research for *Confessions of Nat Turner (RC 36339)*. Traces the role of race among numerous inter-

racial families. Introduction by Henry Louis Gates Jr. Some strong language. 1993.

Two-Gun Cohen: A Biography
RC 48318
by Daniel S. Levy
read by Ken Kliban
4 cassettes
Biography of Morris Cohen, who, after a life of petty crime, became influential in Nationalist China. Born an Orthodox Jew in Poland at the end of the nineteenth century, Cohen relocated to England, then to Canada, and finally to China, where he became the bodyguard of Sun Yat-sen. Some violence. 1997.

Rocks from Space: Meteorites and Meteorite Hunters RC 48331
by O. Richard Norton
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Introduction to meteorites, asteroids, comets, and impact craters. Discusses their physical characteristics, composition, interrelationships, and origins. Provides biographical sketches of Harvey Harlow Nininger and Robert A. Haag. 1998.

Fermat's Enigma: The Epic Quest to Solve the World's Greatest Mathematical Problem RC 48338
by Simon Singh
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Chronicles historical developments in mathematics from the work of Pythagoras in ancient Greece to that of Pierre de Fermat in seventeenth-century France. Describes Fermat's arrival at a profound riddle in his discipline and others' efforts to explain his hypothesis. Details Andrew Wiles's eight-year ordeal and his history-making success in 1995. 1997.

Jackal: The Complete Story of the Legendary Terrorist, Carlos the Jackal
RC 48352
by John Follain
read by Randy Wieck
3 cassettes
Biography of the international terrorist who eluded intelligence agencies and police for twenty years before his capture in Sudan in 1994. Describes the "Jackal" as more bon vivant than committed ideologue and as a self-proclaimed "professional revolutionary" responsible for twenty-four deaths and 257 wounded during his career of violence. 1998.

The Planet Mars: A History of Observation and Discovery RC 48355
by William Sheehan
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Chronological history of astronomers' fascination with Mars from Kepler's discovery of its elliptical orbit in 1604 through the *Viking* missions of 1975–76. Includes a chapter on Percival Lowell and his controversial theory about canals on the planet's surface. 1996.

Chesapeake Bay Cooking with John Shields: The Companion Cookbook to the Public Television Series RC 48367
by John Shields
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
Nearly two hundred recipes for foods of the Chesapeake Bay area. In addition to the usual seafoods—blue crabs, oysters, and clams—Shields includes recipes using many of the region's other bounties such as Silver Queen corn, vine-ripened tomatoes, country hams, and Maryland fried chicken. 1998.

Tim McCarver's Baseball for Brain Surgeons and Other Fans: Understanding and Interpreting the Game So You Can Watch It like a Pro RC 48371
by Tim McCarver
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Veteran ballplayer-turned-sportscaster Tim McCarver explains the game of baseball. Details aspects of the sport from the pregame warmup to stealing bases. Describes what goes on during a game, including pitching, hitting, defense, and strategy. 1998.

Lift Every Voice: Turning a Civil Rights Setback into a New Vision of Social Justice RC 48377
by Lani Guinier
read by Nanette Savard
3 cassettes
After being nominated by President Bill Clinton to be assistant attorney general for civil rights in 1993 and having her name withdrawn following widespread criticism of her beliefs, Guinier describes her reaction to the whole affair. She explains her views on civil rights and calls for new dialog between racial groups. 1998.

Making Waves RC 48382
by Mario Vargas Llosa
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
Forty-six essays on literature and politics by the Peruvian author. Discusses many facets of his work and his interests as an art critic, football commentator, film buff, polemicist, autobiographer, and short-story writer. Includes opinions on Sartre, Hemingway, Camus, Faulkner, and Bellow and perspectives on socialism and the Cuban revolution. 1996.

Black Bird Fly Away: Disabled in an Able-Bodied World RC 48383
by Hugh Gregory Gallagher
read by Timothy Hayes Lynch
2 cassettes
The author presents journal entries, essays, and speeches. Gallagher was a college student of twenty when he almost died of polio. As an influential Senate aide and lobbyist in Washington, D.C., he was instrumental in passing the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968. 1998.

Sir Vidia's Shadow: A Friendship across Five Continents RC 48402
by Paul Theroux
read by Terence Aselford
3 cassettes
Theroux's memoir of his thirty-year literary relationship with V.S. Naipaul. Recalls details of their conversations and their influence on each other, beginning in 1960s Uganda and ending with a terse exchange on a London street. Describes Theroux's shifting perceptions of the older writer from mentor to former friend. Some strong language. 1998.

Romania RC 48405
by Mark Sanborne
read by Jeremy Gage
1 cassette
Describes the history, culture, and future of the eastern European country. Explains the relationship of its geographical location as a crossroads for trade to its long history of invasions. Analyzes the coup against the dictator Nicolae Ceausescu in 1989 and the mass adoption of orphans. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1998.

Gary Cooper: American Hero
RC 48426
by Jeffrey Meyers
read by Terence Aselford
3 cassettes
Gary Cooper, raised in Montana by straight-laced British parents, describes how he discovered that money could be made as a movie extra and how his good looks and riding ability made him prime "star material." Recalls his numerous love affairs, his films, and his conservative convictions during the blacklist years. 1998.

Our Dumb Century: The *Onion* Presents 100 Years of Headlines from America's Finest News Source RC 48431
edited by Scott Dikkers
read by Barry Bernson
4 cassettes
The editors offer headline articles from the satirical newspaper the *Onion*. Includes tongue-in-cheek commentaries on both world wars, movie stars, television, and presidents. Some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Special Siblings: Growing Up with Someone with a Disability RC 48455
by Mary McHugh
read by Lindsay Ellison
2 cassettes
The author describes her own and others' childhood experiences as siblings of someone with mental retardation, mental illness, or a physical disability. Offers suggestions to families on improving the emotional atmosphere in the home for all the children. Includes a list of resources including support groups and web sites. 1999.

The Orchid Thief RC 48462
by Susan Orlean
read by Nanette Savard
2 cassettes
Orlean describes traveling to Florida to meet accused orchid thief John Laroche after she became intrigued by a news item on his arrest. She relates how she began to share his obsession, researching the history of orchids and exploring the subculture of collectors. Also discusses his involvement with local Seminoles. Some strong language. 1998.

Richard Rodgers RC 48463
by William G. Hyland
read by Terence Aselford
3 cassettes
An account of Rodgers's life and many of the musicals he wrote. Born in 1902 to an affluent Russian-Jewish family, he began developing his talent at an early age. Describes the evolution of his work, which included more than forty shows produced over sixty years, first with Lorenz Hart and later with Oscar Hammerstein II. 1998.

Goldman Sachs: The Culture of Success
RC 48472
by Lisa Endlich
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
Presents the history and describes the success of Goldman Sachs, a privately owned investment bank on Wall Street. Asserts that the company made a three-billion-dollar profit in 1997 because of the vision and abilities of its leaders and employees. Discusses the firm's long-standing culture of loyalty, teamwork, and service to clients. 1999.

The Science of *The X-Files* RC 48475
by Jeanne Cavelos
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes
Describes episodes from the television show and movie *The X-Files* and explains the science behind the script. Includes phenomena like UFOs and aliens, technology including robots and implants, and unusual disorders such as a contaminated tattoo that causes the wearer to kill. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

American Railroads RC 48484
by John F. Stover
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Portrays the vital role of railroads in the economy and development of the nation. Includes the immeasurable service trains performed in the Civil War and both world wars. Recounts the emergence of trucks and airplanes during the 1950s until the establishment of Amtrak and renewed freight traffic. Foreword by Daniel J. Boorstin. 1997.

Home Town RC 48507
by Tracy Kidder
read by Arnie Warren
3 cassettes
Kidder portrays life in the small town of Northampton, Massachusetts, recalling its history and chronicling events of the 1980s and 1990s. Focusing on police sergeant Tommy O'Connor, Kidder describes O'Connor's relationships with area residents, including a longtime friend who is accused of child abuse. Some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Eleanor Roosevelt: Volume 2, 1933–1938 RC 48521
by Blanche Wiesen Cook
read by Barbara Caruso
6 cassettes
Portrait of ER during her first six years as first lady. Discusses what made her controversial—the social issues she championed and her influence on FDR. Reveals the private woman behind the public image and the difficult choices she faced. Sequel to *Eleanor Roosevelt: Volume 1, 1884–1933 (RC 34892)*. Bestseller 1999.

Shadow: Five Presidents and the Legacy of Watergate RC 48525
by Bob Woodward
read by Gregory Gorton
4 cassettes
Traces the effects of the Watergate scandal on the American presidency through five administrations. Contends that one legacy is the tendency to view political leaders with suspicion and doubt; argues that all chief executives since Richard Nixon have underestimated the importance of intense public scrutiny. Bestseller 1999.

Another Life: A Memoir of Other People RC 48538
by Michael Korda
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Korda offers a brief portrait of his early life and then shares his experiences in the book publishing industry. As he chronicles the evolution that has taken place in the trade, he offers portraits of the many authors with whom he has worked. Some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

The Best American Essays, 1998
RC 48542
edited by Cynthia Ozick
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
This year's editor writes in her introduction, "Portrait of the Essay as a Warm Body," that in its genuine form an essay "is the movement of a free mind at play." She selects twenty-five works by Saul Bellow, Sven Birkerts, John McPhee, Oliver Sachs, John Updike, and others. 1998.

Women Living with Multiple Sclerosis
RC 48571
by Judith Lynn Nichols
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
More than twenty diverse women living with multiple sclerosis (MS) share their experiences via the Internet. The participants offer support and tips for daily coping with symptoms and inconveniences of the disease. Includes discussions on sex, fatigue, spirituality, and the insensitivity of others. Contains a list of resources. Some strong language. 1999.

To Seek Out New Life: The Biology of *Star Trek* RC 48584
by Athena Andreadis
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Uses the original *Star Trek* television series, spinoffs, and movies to explain concepts in bioscience. Investigates the probability of other life-forms in the universe. Discusses human immortality, the transporter, and the universal translator as well as cloning, robots, and virtual reality. 1998.

With Ossie and Ruby: In This Life Together RC 48586
by Ossie Davis and Ruby Dee
read by Jake Williams
4 cassettes
Autobiographical account of Ossie Davis and Ruby Dee, told in alternating voices. The book discusses their lives before they met, their courtship, and their marriage. The discourse provides a social history of the black experience in American theater and an account of the couple's behind-the-scenes roles in "the Struggle." Some strong language. Bestseller 1998.

An Irish Country Christmas RC 48633
by Alice Taylor
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette
Taylor recalls the work and the celebration of a Christmas that "glowed like a warm fire in the middle of a long, cold winter," when she was nine years old. She describes preparing the Christmas goose, cleaning the chimney, gathering the holly and ivy, and having a parcel arrive on Christmas Eve. 1994.

High Exposure: An Enduring Passion for Everest and Unforgiving Places
RC 48725
by David Breashears
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
2 cassettes
Autobiography of American mountaineer and cinematographer who made the IMAX film Everest in 1996. Discusses his motivation and recounts many of his hazardous exploits climbing vertical cliffs and scaling the world's highest peaks. Provides details about his filmmaking expedition on Everest during the notorious blizzard that took nine lives. Bestseller 1999.

The Aye-Aye and I: A Rescue Mission in Madagascar RC 48729
by Gerald Durrell
read by Graeme Malcolm
1 cassette
Recounts the adventures of Durrell's team on the island of Madagascar as they attempt to capture an elusive and almost extinct magic-fingered aye-aye to build up a breeding colony. Includes encounters with giant jumping rats, flat-tailed tortoises, and gentle lemurs from the reed beds of a vanishing lake. 1992.

The Right Women: A Journey through the Heart of Conservative America RC 48734
by Elinor Burkett
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Examines the status and impact of feminism in the United States. For two years Burkett traveled across the country conducting interviews outside the mainstream women's movement. She finds that many who reject official feminist dogma are, nonetheless, able to make nontraditional choices about their own lives. Strong language. 1998.

Addicted to Danger: A Memoir RC 48754
by Jim Wickwire and Dorothy Bullitt
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
At fifty-six, Wickwire reflects on his mountain climbing experiences on major peaks, examining the successes and failures to achieve personal growth. In his accounts, he appreciates the beauty, physical exertion, and close friendships this sport offers but also admits an attraction to the dangers involved. 1998.

Forever Flying: Fifty Years of High-Flying Adventures, from Barnstorming in Prop Planes to Dogfighting Germans to Testing Supersonic Jets RC 48763
by R.A. Hoover
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Autobiography by a pilot who has been described by Jimmy Doolittle as "the greatest stick-and-rudder man who ever lived." Hoover reminisces about flying as a teenager, fighting in World War II, and working as a test pilot and air show star. Foreword by Chuck Yeager. 1996.

The First World War RC 48770
by John Keegan
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
British military historian examines the chain of events that led to the conflict that began in August 1914. He analyzes major battles and the role of mechanized warfare, and discusses the political outcome of World War I, its long-term implications, and impacts still felt at the end of the century. Bestseller 1998.

Suzanne Somers' Get Skinny on Fabulous Food RC 48777
by Suzanne Somers
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
Television star advises eating a balanced diet for weight loss and health. Advocates enjoying food and adding fat to the diet. Includes recipes and testimonials to success. Bestseller 1999.

'Tis: A Memoir RC 48813
by Frank McCourt
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes
This sequel to *Angela's Ashes (RC 42805)* continues McCourt's reminiscences from

October 1949, when he arrives in New York City at age nineteen, until his father's funeral in 1985. Describes his adjustments to America—gaining an education, finding a career, marrying, and raising a family—interwoven with childhood memories. Some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Stiffed: The Betrayal of the American Man RC 48820
by Susan Faludi
read by Annie Waut
6 cassettes
Prize-winning journalist reassesses the masculine role in U.S. society. Focuses on men born after World War II who feel angry at the discrepancy between perceived promises and the reality of their existence. Begins at a domestic violence meeting and progresses to numerous interviews with individuals in a wide range of occupations. Bestseller 1999.

I Ain't Got Time to Bleed: Reworking the Body Politic from the Bottom Up RC 48828
by Jesse Ventura
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
The former professional wrestler who was elected mayor of Brooklyn Park and then governor of Minnesota describes his politics and his life. With his background as a Navy SEAL, radio host, and movie actor, Ventura was not the typical candidate for public office. Some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Chicken Soup for the Golfer's Soul: 101 Stories of Insight, Inspiration, and Laughter on the Links RC 48880
by Jack Canfield and others
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Professionals, amateurs, and caddies relate how they were transformed by the game of golf. They describe making the impossible shot, getting out of a sand trap, overcoming obstacles, forging new friendships, and other memories. Bestseller 1999.

In a Barren Land: American Indian Dispossession and Survival RC 48890
by Paula Mitchell Marks
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
A historian chronicles European settlers' conquest of Native American lands from their initial contacts in 1607 up to the 1990s. Describes the indigenous inhabitants' struggle to maintain their traditional cultures despite forced relocations, the elimination of customs, and their own diminishing numbers. 1998.

Straight Talk about Death for Teenagers: How to Cope with Losing Someone You Love RC 48899
by Earl A. Grollman
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Discusses ways to cope after the death of a loved one. Examines the different stages of grieving and how to resume one's own life. Includes samples of exercises to assist in expressing emotions. For senior high and older readers. 1993.

Shy Boy: The Horse That Came In from the Wild RC 48908
by Monty Roberts
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
In this sequel to *The Man Who Listens to Horses (RC 45002)*, horse trainer Monty Roberts captures a wild mustang and gently tames it to saddle. Eleven months later, he gives the mustang, Shy Boy, a choice of staying with him or returning to his original herd. Bestseller 1999.

Blue Skies and Blood: The Battle of the Coral Sea RC 48911
by Edwin P. Hoyt
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Account of the spring 1942 battle between American and Japanese aircraft carriers that marked a new era in warfare and was considered a turning point in World War II. The unfolding drama is based on action reports of the U.S. and Japanese navies and participants' diaries and narratives. 1975.

Dr. Laura: The Unauthorized Biography RC 48912
by Vickie L. Bane
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
A correspondent for *People* magazine uses interviews and quotes from Laura Schlesinger's coworkers and acquaintances to illustrate the woman behind the radio show. Discusses Dr. Laura's childhood and education, husbands, career, and conversion to Orthodox Judaism. Highlights the apparent discrepancy between the morality she preaches and the behavior she practices. 1999.

A Song for Mary: An Irish-American Memory RC 48928
by Dennis Smith
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
The author recalls his impoverished Irish Catholic childhood in New York City without a father. Although he had a strong support system, Smith was constantly in trouble. A court-ordered stint in the air force gave him a second chance, and he returned home to become a firefighter. Some strong language. 1999.

Suzanne Somers' Eat Great, Lose Weight RC 48948
by Suzanne Somers
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
Actress Somers advocates controlling one's weight without deprivation by properly combining foods. Proposes lifestyle changes with a few simple rules, while still enjoying meals. Includes menus. Bestseller 1996.

The Scleroderma Book: A Guide for Patients and Families RC 48957
by Maureen D. Mayes
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Physician recognized for specializing in scleroderma explains this autoimmune system breakdown that affects connective tissues, blood vessels, and collagen. Describes various forms of the disease, its symptoms, and available treatments. She also offers advice on coping with this puzzling condition that has no known cause and no established cure. 1999.

The Other Diabetes: Living and Eating Well with Type 2 Diabetes RC 48958
by Elizabeth Hiser
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
Describes the condition of adult-onset diabetes, how the body works, and what goes wrong to cause the illness. Explains optimum lifestyle practices needed to deal with the disease and how to incorporate such changes into daily living. Offers sample meals, recipes, and a resource guide. 1999.

Insomnia: Fifty Essential Things to Do RC 48963
by Theresa Foy DiGeronimo
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
Advice on potential causes of insomnia and techniques to improve and maintain healthy rest. Considers different life stages of children, women, and the elderly. Includes a section on homeopathic treatments, including massage, herbs, foods, and acupuncture. Suggestions on keeping up to date with the latest information. 1997.

Kenneth Jernigan: The Master, the Mission, the Movement RC 48985
by Kenneth Jernigan
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
Collection of Dr. Jernigan's writings composed mostly during the 1990s. Includes numerous speeches and excerpts from the Kernel Books. In an introduction, Marc Maurer, of the National Federation of the Blind, describes Jernigan as a man who "changed the lives of blind people through his example and inspiration." 1999.

The Million Dollar Mermaid RC 48987
by Esther Williams
read by Nanette Savard
3 cassettes
Williams describes the movie spectaculars she made for MGM Studios and the physical injuries she sustained. She also discusses her traumatic childhood (the death of her oldest brother and being raped at thirteen), her place on the cancelled 1940 Olympic team, her use of LSD, and her four marriages. Best-seller 1999.

Careers for Outdoor Types RC 49094
by Andrew Kaplan
read by Rick Foucheux
1 cassette
Profiles fourteen individuals whose jobs involve working outdoors, including a naturalist, a recreation director, a rancher, and others employed in agriculture. Discusses how to get started, what the work entails, and the pros and cons of each career. For junior and senior high readers. 1991.

John McCain: An American Odyssey RC 49113
by Robert Timberg
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Biography of the Arizona senator, written as he sought the Republican presidential nomination in 2000; expands on excerpts from Timberg's *The Nightingale's Song (RC 42316)*. Attributes McCain's reputation to his P.O.W. years in Vietnam, his association with the Keating Five scandal, and his naval family background. Some strong language. 1999.

She Said Yes: The Unlikely Martyrdom of Cassie Bernall RC 49115
by Misty Bernall
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Woman whose daughter was murdered at Columbine High School reminisces about Cassie's life and the problems she experienced as a troubled teenager. The anguished mother describes how she and her husband sacrificed to save their daughter from evil influences and how Cassie reclaimed her faith in God. Bestseller 1999.

See Jane Win: The Rimm Report on How One Thousand Girls Became Successful Women RC 49118
by Sylvia Rimm
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Summary and conclusions of research by the author and her two daughters, who surveyed successful women about their achievements. The report formulates twenty suggestions on how to raise competent daughters; includes anecdotal and statistical data. Also offers inspiration and guidance. Bestseller 1999.

Children Are from Heaven: Positive Parenting Skills for Raising Cooperative, Confident, and Compassionate Children RC 49182
by John Gray
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
The author of *Men Are from Mars, Women Are from Venus (RC 35918)* describes a method for raising children in which punishment and demands are replaced by making requests, listening, and offering rewards. If necessary, these techniques can be followed with commands and time outs for asserting parental leadership. Bestseller 1999.

Cassettes Fiction

A Searching Heart: A Prairie Legacy, Volume 2 RC 47433
by Janette Oke
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
High School senior Virginia Simpson draws on all her faith as she deals with her sister's difficult pregnancy, decides to remain home instead of leaving for college, and comes to grips with the loss of her longtime boyfriend. Then her friend is involved in a near-fatal auto accident. Sequal to *The Tender Years (RC 47432)*. 1998.

The Evolution of Jane RC 47443
by Cathleen Schine
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
A trip to the Galapagos Islands becomes an opportunity for self-discovery. Following the end of her six-month marriage, Jane Barlow Schwartz seeks the solace of nature. But when the travel guide turns out to be Martha Barlow, her cousin and ex-best friend, Jane determines to find out why Martha ended their closeness. Some strong language. 1998.

Don't Die, My Love RC 47452
by Lurlene McDaniel
read by June Carter
1 cassette
High school juniors Julie and Luke have known each other for years and are in love. Luke is the star football player and Julie's father is his coach. Julie is waiting to see where Luke gets a football scholarship so she can apply to

the same school. Then Luke is diagnosed with cancer. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

Christmas in My Heart: A Timeless Treasury of Heartwarming Stories RC 47455
compiled by Joe Wheeler
read by Grace Ragsdale
1 cassette
Heartfelt Christmas stories chosen for their Christ-centered messages. In "A Gift from the Heart" by Norman Vincent Peale, a foreign girl, unable to buy presents for her employers, has a unique solution for gift giving. In "The Candle in the Forest" by Temple Bailey, a rich boy learns the meaning of love from the impoverished family next door. 1996.

The Two Towers: Being the Second Part of the Lord of the Rings RC 47487
by J.R.R. Tolkien
read by David Palmer
3 cassettes (Reissue)
In this sequel to *The Fellowship of the Ring (RC 47486)*, the now-separated companions of the Ring meet Saruman the wizard, cross the Dead Marshes, and prepare for the Great War, in which the power of the Ring will be undone. 1954.

Caucasia RC 47685
by Danzy Senna
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
1970s. Cole and Birdie Lee, daughters of a black professor and a white revolutionary, live in Boston. Their father takes the darker daughter, Cole, to Brazil. Birdie, left with her radical mother, is soon on the run from the FBI. Living as a white person and confused about race and identity, she desperately misses her sister. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Playback RC 47686
by Raymond Chandler
read by Conrad Feininger
1 cassette
From the minute he meets a well-endowed redhead at the Los Angeles train station, detective Philip Marlowe's curiosity is aroused. With a nice retainer to keep his interest alive, he is soon flitting along the California coast with his nose stuck into other people's business, and death snapping at his heels. 1958.

Worldwar: Striking the Balance RC 47689
by Harry Turtledove
read by Roy Avers
5 cassettes
Sequel to *Worldwar: Upsetting the Balance (RC 47688)*. Humans stop fighting one another during World War II and unite to battle the Lizards, aliens seeking a new home. The invaders, having scouted the planet centuries before, are surprised by the level of weaponry the humans use. But their colonization fleet is on the way. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1996.

True North: A Novel of the Underground Railroad RC 47692
by Kathryn Lasky
read by Tracy Mickens-Hundley
1 cassette
Narrative alternating between Bostonian Lucy Bradford and Afrika, a Virginia slave, tells how the lives of the two fourteen-year-olds were affected by the Underground Railroad. Lucy recounts her family's preparation for a wedding and her special relationship with her

grandfather, while Afrika describes her difficult journey north. For junior and senior high readers. 1996.

The Death and Life of Miguel de Cervantes RC 47806
by Stephen Marlowe
read by Peter Gil
4 cassettes
A mock autobiography of the author of *Don Quixote (RC 24290)*. Cervantes relates the picaresque adventures of his life, revealing much about Spain in the late sixteenth and early seventeenth centuries. 1991.

Starry, Starry Night: Three Holiday Stories RC 47854
by Lurlene McDaniel
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
Three short stories taking place at Christmas time. In "Christmas Child" a teenager confronts the death of her newborn sister. In "Last Dance" Brenda is confused by a cancer patient's love for her. In "Kathy's Life" Ellie learns to reject high school pettiness. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

The Voice on the Radio RC 47855
by Caroline B. Cooney
read by June Carter
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Whatever Happened to Janie? (RC 38978)*, Janie's boyfriend, Reeve, becomes a campus radio disc jockey in Boston. In a moment of weakness, he broadcasts the story of her kidnapping. Old wounds reopen when Janie and her family learn of his betrayal. For junior and senior high readers. 1996.

Mad Dogs and Scotsmen: A John Cunningham Mystery RC 47858
by Gerald Hammond
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
On an ordinary day at a quarantine kennel in Scotland, something unusual occurs: an old car containing a briefcase, a shotgun, and Jove, a black Labrador, disappears. John Cunningham, owner of the kennel and car, is perturbed, while Noel Cochrane, owner of the briefcase and dog, is visibly upset. Then Noel disappears. Some strong language. 1995.

Flappers and Philosophers RC 47877
by F. Scott Fitzgerald
read by Liz Solar
2 cassettes
Eight short stories about young people at the beginning of the twentieth century. In "The Cut-Glass Bowl," a woman receives an impressive wedding gift from a former beau. In "Bernice Bobs Her Hair," some words of advice on gaining self-confidence and attracting men have unexpected repercussions. 1920.

The Pickwick Papers RC 47884
by Charles Dickens
read by George Holmes
7 cassettes in 2 containers (Reissue)
First published in installments from 1836 to 1837, this classic features Samuel Pickwick, general chairman of the Pickwick Club, and three other members who constitute a corresponding society in order to report their journeys, adventures, and observation of character and manners. 1837.

Antarctica RC 47890
by Kim Stanley Robinson
read by Dan Bloom
4 cassettes
In the near future, when corporations exploit Antarctica's mineral resources, ecological terrorists fight to preserve the wilderness environment. A U.S. senator sends his assistant Wade Norton on a fact-finding mission, but Norton is distracted by the terrorists' cause. Some strong language. 1998.

One Perfect Rose RC 47892
by Mary Jo Putney
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
Rosalind Fitzgerald, who was adopted as a child by members of a traveling theater troupe, meets Stephen Kenyon, duke of Ashburton, when he rescues her brother from a raging river. They are attracted to one another, but the duke has been told he has only three months to live. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1997.

Nowhere to Run RC 47899
by Robert Daley
read by John Stratton
3 cassettes
Ex-detective Jack Dilger flees New York City for the French Riviera, where he meets investigator Madeleine Leclerq, who was also fired for stepping on toes among the powerful. They embark on a love affair in spite of the danger from their revenge-seeking enemies. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1996.

Killing Grounds: A Kate Shugak Mystery RC 47939
by Dana Stabenow
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Kate Shugak is salmon fishing with her Aleut relatives when she hauls in a dead man in her net. Calvin Meany was the most hated man in the area, and no one grieves over his death. But two additional murders motivate Kate to investigate. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Abide with Me RC 48031
by E. Lynn Harris
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
2 cassettes
Raymond and Trent live together in Seattle where Ray is being considered for a judgeship. Nicole and Jared are in New York, where she will star in a stage production. Basil is finally getting therapy. But each runs into roadblocks on the way to happiness. Sequel to *Just As I Am (RC 48093)*. Strong language. 1999.

A Toast to Tomorrow: A Tommy Hambledon Mystery RC 48066
by Manning Coles
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
Tommy Hambledon, a British spy from World War I, wakes up from amnesia to discover he is living in 1933 Germany as a friend of Hermann Goering's. Newly appointed as the deputy chief of police in Berlin, Hambledon continues his masquerade while enlisting the help of an elderly wireless operator. Some violence. 1940.

Snow Country RC 48113
by Yasunari Kawabata
read by David Hartley-Margolin
1 cassette (Reissue)
Shimamura, a man of leisure, meets a geisha at a snowy lodge in the western mountains of Japan. They know their love is futile, but he returns each year to spend time with her. The author is the winner of the Nobel Prize in literature in 1968. 1947.

The Ventriloquist's Tale RC 48167
by Pauline Melville
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
When Chofy McKinnon, a Wapisiana Indian, moves to Georgetown, Guyana, he feels alienated by city life. He meets Rosa Mendelson, an English scholar who is studying novelist Evelyn Waugh. The two become lovers but approach the world through the disparate views of their respective cultures, hers materialistic and his mystical. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1997.

Kalimantaan RC 48183
by C.S. Godshalk
read by Vanessa Maroney
3 cassettes
In the mid-1800s Englishman Gideon Barr sails to the South Seas and founds a private raj on the coast of Borneo. He brings out a strong young wife, Amelia, who encounters a culture and way of life on the island very different from Victorian England. 1998.

Conspiracy RC 48190
by Margie Walker
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Marcellus Cavanaugh can't believe that his partner Don Wellsing hired his ex-girlfriend, Pauline Sinclair, to be the company nurse. When Don is poisoned and another man killed, Pauline becomes the chief suspect. Marcellus and Pauline find their love rekindling just at the wrong moment. Some violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1997.

The Gilded Lily RC 48242
by Helen Argers
read by Janis Gray
3 cassettes
1870s. Wealthy Nina De Bonnard is used to being the belle of the ball and breaking hearts. Jordan Windsor returns from years abroad to find his brother among her neglected suitors. Out of spite, Jordan agrees to trick Nina into falling for him—just so he can jilt her—but instead he, too, finds himself in love. 1998.

Close Range: Wyoming Stories RC 48276
by Annie Proulx
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
Eleven short stories depict the harshness of making a living in the twentieth-century West—herding animals, riding the rodeo circuit, or getting by in a small town. "Brokeback Mountain" describes complex feelings between two ranch hands in a land where homosexuality is not tolerated. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

The Ground beneath Her Feet RC 48279
by Salman Rushdie
read by Richard Davidson
5 cassettes
On St. Valentine's Day, 1989, forty-four-year-old singer Vina Apsara dies in an earthquake in Mexico. Her childhood chum from Bombay, the photographer Rai, tells of the music career Apsara

shared with her great love, Ormus Cama. Rai reveals that he also loved her. Some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

An Ocean Apart RC 48302
by Robin Pilcher
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
When David Corstorphine's wife dies, he is unable to cope with his life, his children, or the family-owned company. He retreats to his ancestral home in Scotland and spends his days gardening. But a forced trip to America brings him new hope. Some strong language. 1999.

Cordelia Underwood: Or the Marvelous Beginnings of the Moosepath League RC 48332
by Van Reid
read by Mitzi Friedlander
4 cassettes
Portland, Maine; July 1896. Inspired by a rumor, Cordelia Underwood, twenty-three, searches for buried treasure on land she inherits. When she is betrayed, she receives help from various sources including a group who call themselves the Moosepath League and two young men with romantic intentions. 1998.

Mansions of Darkness: A Novel of Saint-Germain RC 48333
by Chelsea Quinn Yarbro
read by David Palmer
4 cassettes
In the mid 1600s, the vampire Conde de San Germanno (Count Saint-Germain) travels to Peru to study the Inca civilization, which is being destroyed by the arrival of Europeans. He befriends Acanna Tupac, a shunned member of the royal family, and finds his hands full when she is attacked because of her royal status. 1996.

Black Glass: Short Fictions RC 48349
by Karen Joy Fowler
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
2 cassettes
Fifteen satirical stories and fantasies based on unusual premises. In "The Faithful Companion at Forty," a Native American sidekick is annoyed when his masked companion forgets his fortieth birthday. In "The View From Venus: A Case Study," a human named Linda and her courtship rituals are observed from another planet. Some strong language. 1998.

Even the Wicked: A Matthew Scudder Mystery RC 48351
by Lawrence Block
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
A serial killer is eliminating people who are even worse than he is, making him a hero to New York City residents. Private investigator Matt Scudder is hired by a lawyer who is on the murderer's hit list. Eventually, Scudder, like everyone else, is surprised at the killer's identity. Strong language and violence. 1997.

The Year's Best Science Fiction: Fifteenth Annual Collection RC 48353
edited by Gardner Dozois
read by Richard Hauenstein
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Following an introduction on the status of the science fiction market, Dozois offers twenty-eight short stories published in 1997. Includes works by Robert Silverberg, Nancy Kress, Stephen Baxter, David Marusek, Gwyneth Jones, Brian Stableford, and Ian McDonald. 1998.

Conquerors' Legacy: Conquerors Saga, Volume 3 RC 48357
by Timothy Zahn
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
As the Zhirrzh and humans prepare for a final showdown, which could mean extinction for both races, a small group of Zhirrzh and humans make a discovery that could save everyone. But there are forces at work that may prevent them from averting disaster. Sequel to *Conquerors' Heritage (RC 44617)*. 1996.

Holding Out RC 48358
by Anne O. Faulk
read by Carol Dines
3 cassettes
When Congress refuses to impeach Supreme Court chief justice Underwood after the suicide of his abused wife, feminists across America are outraged. Divorcée Lauren Fontaine leads a national women's movement to withhold sex from men, but the repercussions for Lauren are great. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

The Last Hostage RC 48369
by John J. Nance
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Pilot Ken Wolfe hijacks his own plane when he learns that judge Rudy Bostich is aboard his flight. Bostich lied during the murder trial of Wolfe's eleven-year-old daughter, and the killer went free. FBI negotiator Kat Bronsky boards during a stop and soon believes Wolfe. Strong language and violence. 1998.

Yesterday Will Make You Cry RC 48370
by Chester Himes
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes
Autobiographical novel first written in 1937, released in 1953 as *Cast the First Stone*, and now returned to its original form and title. Himes, who spent seven years in prison, relates the story of a poor white man, Jimmy Monroe, and his journey through the criminal justice system. Some strong language and some violence. 1937.

The Devil's Garden RC 48373
by Ralph Peters
read by Faith Potts
3 cassettes
A powerful senator's daughter is kidnapped in the Muslim country of Azerbaijan. Lieutenant Colonel Evan Burton from the American embassy tracks her down while native factions, Russians, Iranians, Turks, and Israelis all vie for an oil pipeline. Burton is alone, betrayed by everyone. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Dust RC 48386
by Charles Pellegrino
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
The demise of the world's insects creates an environmental nightmare—dust mites begin eating everyone in their path. Paleobiologist Richard Sinclair and his young daughter Tam are among the few to escape. At Brookhaven Laboratory surviving scientists battle starvation and nuclear strikes as they frantically create new insects from amber fossils. Some violence. 1998.

Rekindled RC 48387
by Barbara Delinsky
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Two novels previously published in the 1980s. In *Flip Side of Yesterday*, Chloe MacDaniel runs into a former lover, Ross Stephenson, whom she hasn't seen in eleven years. In *Lilac Awakening*, lovers Anne Boulton and Mitchell Anderson meet only for vacations in Vermont. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1983.

Lord of the Flies RC 48388
by William Golding
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes (Reissue)
With horrifying implications, a group of English boys are wrecked on a desert island and have to establish their own system of government. For senior high and older readers. 1954.

Breaking News RC 48391
by Robert MacNeil
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Veteran news anchor Grant Munro is appalled that the "bottom line" is causing tabloid journalism to take over the serious business of reporting. Munro is also threatened by his stalled contract negotiations and by competition from two younger colleagues, celebrity interviewer Ann Murrow and ambitious and ethically questionable Bill Donovan. 1998.

Trailin' RC 48395
by Max Brand
read by Jeff Baker
2 cassettes
When Long Islander Anthony Woodbury attends a Wild West show in Madison Square Garden, he can't resist a challenge to ride an unbroken horse. That brings him to the attention of William Drew. Soon Anthony's world is turned upside down, and he finds himself looking for a murderer and the identity of his real parents. 1920.

Mad Jack RC 48396
by Catherine Coulter
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
1811. Winifrede Bascombe begs her aunts Mathilda and Maude to save her from an arranged marriage. They flee to their nephew Grayson St. Cyre with Winifrede disguised as their valet, "Mad Jack." When Grayson finds out that Jack is a young lady, he is intrigued. Companion to the Sherbrooke Brides trilogy. Some descriptions of sex. 1999.

White Oleander RC 48432
by Janet Fitch
read by Lindsay Ellison
3 cassettes
Astrid Magnusson is twelve when her poet mother is jailed for killing a former lover. As Astrid moves through a series of foster homes in Los Angeles, she deals with difficult family relations. She also learns about sex and how to be a survivor. Some strong languge and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

The Best American Short Stories of the Century RC 48433
edited by John Updike and Katrina Kenison
read by Kimberly Schraf
7 cassettes in 2 containers
The editors announce two principles for selecting these fifty-five stories: to reflect the century, giving each decade equal weight, and to "take place on this continent or deal with characters from

the United States." Includes representative works by distinguished authors. Bestseller 1999.

Juneteenth RC 48438
by Ralph Ellison
read by Bob Moore
3 cassettes
Senator Sunraider lies in the hospital struggling to survive a gunshot wound. The apparently white politician asks to see Reverend Hickman, the African American minister who raised him. In the course of their conversations, the senator recalls his childhood and begins to understand his own complex racial identity. Some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

High Five: Stephanie Plum Novel RC 48439
by Janet Evanovich
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Four to Score (RC 46927)*, Stephanie Plum takes a break from bounty hunting to look for her missing uncle, who left behind photos of a dismembered body. Meanwhile, she's being stalked by a recently released sociopath. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Jutland Cottage RC 48460
by Angela Thirkell
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In Barsetshire, Margot Phelps, the selfless, overworked, middle-aged daughter of Admiral Phelps, has given her whole life to taking care of her aging parents. Then one day the beautiful and blundering Rose Fairweather introduces Margot to Mr. Macfadyen, who discovers her attractions. Sequel to *Happy Returns (RC 48374)*. 1953.

Murder on the Prowl RC 48466
by Rita Mae Brown and Sneaky Pie Brown
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Shortly after school begins at the exclusively private St. Elizabeth's in Crozet, Virginia, obituaries appear in the paper for Headmaster Roscoe Fletcher and film director Maury McKinchie. Yet both are still alive. But before long, deaths do begin occurring. Of course Mrs. Murphy, the tiger cat, with the aid of her human, investigates. 1998.

Donnegan RC 48473
by Max Brand
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Garry Donnegan is hired by an invalid, Colonel Macon, to reclaim the gold mine that his ward, Jack Landis, has swindled from him and also lure the boy back to his daughter Lou's arms. Landis is protected by the outlaw of the gold camp, "Lord Nick," and his crew. Strong language and violence. 1921.

The Body in the Bookcase: A Faith Fairchild Mystery RC 48485
by Katherine Hall Page
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Faith Fairchild is kept busy running a catering company—currently contending with a demanding bride and her blue-blooded mother. Faith also investigates shady dealings in the New England antique business after an elderly member of her husband's parish dies during a robbery. Then Faith's house is ransacked, and family heirlooms are stolen. 1998.

A Bend in the River RC 48487
by V.S. Naipaul
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
In a recently independent central African nation, Salim, a Muslim of Indian origin, purchases a defunct store in a town at a bend in the river. Hoping to prosper but feeling trapped, Salim describes the people, political climate, and needs of a society in upheaval. 1979.

Timbuktu RC 48519
by Paul Auster
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
Told from the dog's point of view, a story of boon companions: Mr. Bones, a devoted mutt, and Willy G. Christmas, a self-named, homeless, terminally ill writer. Willy's final wishes are to bequeath his literary endeavors to a former teacher and to find a new owner for Mr. Bones. Some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Italian Fever RC 48528
by Valerie Martin
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
Lucy Stark is an assistant to novelist DV, who dies suddenly while writing a book in Italy. Lucy travels to Italy for his funeral, to retrieve his things, and to discover why he died. She is met by Massimo, an interpreter, who comes to care for her in many ways. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

Death du Jour RC 48533
by Kathy Reichs
read by Anne Hancock
3 cassettes
Forensic anthropologist Temperance Brennan examines the remains of a nun who is a candidate for sainthood. Meanwhile, she learns that a multiple murder in the Laurentian Mountains is tied to a cult with branches in South Carolina and Texas—a group her sister recently joined. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

Last Days of Summer RC 48541
by Steve Kluger
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
1940. Twelve-year-old wise guy Joey Margolis, the only Jewish boy in his Brooklyn neighborhood, begins writing letters to the Giants' third baseman, Charlie Banks. Charlie replies, and they correspond about everything from politicians to girlfriends. The two meet and continue their adventures until World War II intervenes. Some strong language. 1998.

Duane's Depressed RC 48547
by Larry McMurtry
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Now sixty-two, Duane Moore realizes he has spent too much time in the cab of his pickup truck. He parks it and starts walking—in Thalia, where no one walks much. His wife, Karla, suspects that his decision signals a more serious problem. Sequel to *Texasville (RC 25975)*. Some strong language. 1999.

The Midnight Club RC 48563
by James Patterson
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
NYPD detective John Stefanovitch was shot trying to bring down drug lord Alexandre St.-Germain. Now Stefanovitch is in a wheelchair working homicide, and a killer is targeting drug dealers, including St.-Germain. Stefanovitch

and a female journalist want to solve the murders. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1989.

Crazy for You RC 48574
by Jennifer Crusie
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Art teacher Quinn is bored, but her live-in boyfriend Bill, the high school coach, is happy and wants to marry. After Quinn adopts a stray dog against Bill's wishes, she moves out, buys a house, and tries to seduce her ex-brother-in-law. Bill, however, can't let go. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

You Don't Love Yourself RC 48579
by Nathalie Sarraute
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
An introspective dialog on the themes of self-love and self-hatred. Discusses the process of self-reflection and numerous aspects of identity that help form the composite "I." Explores differences between someone who loves himself as a matter of course and the person who must resolve conflicting feelings. 1990.

A Pirate's Love RC 48583
by Johanna Lindsey
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
France, 1667. Bettina Verlaine is sailing to the Caribbean island of Saint Martin to be married to a man she has never met, when her ship is captured by pirates. The renegade leader, Tristan, decides to have Bettina for himself and soon falls in love with her. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1978.

Lake News RC 48617
by Barbara Delinsky
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Cabaret pianist-singer and part-time teacher Lily Blake is shocked by the outcome of her dinner conversation with newspaper reporter Terry Sullivan about her long-term acquaintance with newly named Cardinal Rossetti. The resulting scandal sends Lily fleeing to her hometown of Lake Henry, New Hampshire, where reporter John Kipling offers help. Bestseller 1999.

Serpent Gate: A Kevin Kerney Novel RC 48621
by Michael McGarrity
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Kevin Kerney, now a New Mexico State Police deputy chief, investigates the murder of a small-town policeman where the chief witness is a schizophrenic. Kerney is also assigned to solve the theft of priceless artwork from the governor's office—a crime that involves Kerney's old enemy Enrique DeLeon. Strong language and violence. 1998.

The Whereabouts of Eneas McNulty RC 48718
by Sebastian Barry
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
An Irishman from Sligo chooses a career at odds with his friends' commitment to a free Ireland. Joining the Royal Constabulary brings Eneas a death sentence with exile his best option. Lonely abroad, he yearns for his homeland. Some strong language. 1998.

Eating Memories RC 48735
by Patricia Anthony
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
Collection of twenty-eight science fiction short stories. In the title piece, George Hatterly, a human ambassador to Karee, goes to Besseh Yo, an elderly alien, to buy magic. But regaining memories of his dead wife, Lauren, is a different experience from what he had expected. Some strong language and some violence. 1997.

The Gun Runner's Daughter RC 48736
by Neil Gordon
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
In July 1994, third-year law student Allison (Esther) Rosenthal learns of her father's arrest on the charge of illegally selling military supplies to Bosnian Muslims. The prosecutor turns out to be her intimate friend from Martha's Vineyard, and Allison applies her own brand of justice to save her father. Some strong language. 1998.

Some Deaths before Dying RC 48751
by Peter Dickinson
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Ninety years old and bedridden with a degenerative disease, Rachel Matson nonetheless uses her keen mind to resolve a long-standing mystery concerning her late husband. Her background as a photographer helps her conduct her search, which focuses on antique dueling pistols. She relies on her nurse and daughter to do the legwork. 1999.

Sooner or Later RC 48756
by Elizabeth Adler
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
California restaurateur Ellie was raised by her wealthy grandmother after her parents died. She doesn't know about an older half-brother who was committed after he tried to kill their grandmother. It's lucky that Ellie's friend is an ex-cop, because the brother's out—and he's after Ellie. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Celebration RC 48765
by Fern Michaels
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
After her parents' deaths, Kristine married her boyfriend, Logan, and followed him around the world during his military career. Now she and their three children have returned to her Virginia family home, where Logan will soon join them. Then he disappears—with the millions Kristine inherited. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

Jupiter's Bones: A Peter Decker/Rina Lazarus Novel RC 48768
by Faye Kellerman
read by Richard Davidson
3 cassettes
Detective Peter Decker investigates the death of a cult leader, Father Jupiter, who was once a prominent astrophysicist. Jupiter had disappeared for ten years until emerging as the founder of a group of misfits, but he had many enemies in both lives—including his daughter. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1999.

Dangerous Kiss RC 48775
by Jackie Collins
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Lucky Santangelo seeks revenge when her husband and sister-in-law are victims of a violent carjacking. Lucky tries to keep the family together as old flame Alex Woods appears to offer his support. She also discovers secrets about her husband. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

Dark Lady RC 48776
by Richard North Patterson
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Stella Marz, assistant county prosecutor in the city of Steelton, hopes to become prosecutor if her boss, Arthur Bright, wins the mayoral election. But two confusing and high-profile murder cases, both assigned to Stella, threaten to blow the election wide open. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

Worst Fears Realized: Stone Barrington —Ex-Cop RC 48778
by Stuart Woods
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
People are dying all around Stone Barrington, an ex-cop-turned-lawyer, including his secretary and a young woman he just met. With the aid of longtime friend Dino Bacchetti, Stone searches for the killer, whom he believes is a man he and Dino put behind bars years ago. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1999.

Misty: The Wildflowers RC 48794
by V.C. Andrews
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Collectively they consider themselves members of OWP, Orphans with Parents. Californians Misty, Star, Jade, and Cathy (Cat) are meeting with Dr. Marlowe, their therapist. At their first meeting, Misty relates how her parents' divorce affects her. Prequel to *Star (RC 48795)*. For senior high and older readers. Bestseller 1999.

Star: The Wildflowers, Book 2 RC 48795
by V.C. Andrews
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
In their second therapy session, Star, another OWP (Orphans with Parents), reveals to Dr. Marlowe her troubled childhood involving a mother who is constantly drunk and a father who left home shortly after her baby brother was born. Sequel to *Misty (RC 48794)*. For senior high and older readers. Bestseller 1999.

The Princess: The Bride Quest, Volume 1 RC 48796
by Claire Delacroix
read by Gabriella Cavallero
3 cassettes
Ireland, 1171. When King Henry II captures Castle Tullymullagh, he gives the land to Gavin Fitzgerald. He promises Princess Brianna to one of Gavin's sons. But Brianna, scheming to regain her family's land, sends the young men on a quest. Prequel to *The Damsel (RC 48797)*. Some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Hard Time: A V.I. Warshawski Novel RC 48812
by Sara Paretsky
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Chicago private detective V.I. Warshawski finds a fatally injured female escaped convict in the road. Police want to charge V.I. with murder, and the victim's powerful former employer is less than helpful. The relentless sleuth is burglarized, beaten, and imprisoned before she learns the truth. Violence and some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

The Experiment RC 48815
by John Darnton
read by Robert Sams
4 cassettes
Reporter Jude Harley stumbles across a cloning experiment being used for immoral purposes. Meanwhile one of the clones has escaped from the isolated island lab. With the help of Dr. Tizzie Tierney, a biological medical researcher doing studies on twins, Harley uncovers the reason behind the scientific conspiracy. Some violence. Bestseller 1999.

"O" Is for Outlaw: Kinsey Millhone Private Eye RC 48818
by Sue Grafton
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
When P.I. Kinsey Millhone buys items from a storage salvager, she is surprised to find an old letter exonerating her ex-husband, vice cop Mickey Magruder, of murder. Now Mickey has been shot and lies in a coma. Kinsey investigates the shooting and becomes the next target. Some violence. Bestseller 1999.

Assassins: Assignment, Jerusalem; Target, Antichrist RC 48819
by Tim LaHaye and Jerry B. Jenkins
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Thirty-eight months have passed since the Rapture, and the Tribulation Force continue their resistance against Nicolae Carpathia, the Antichrist. As they await the sixth judgment, in which they expect two hundred million horsemen to slay a third of the world's population, Rayford plots to assassinate the Antichrist. Sequel to *Apollyon (RC 48151)*. Bestseller 1999.

Mr. X RC 48864
by Peter Straub
read by David Hartley-Margolin
4 cassettes
Even in childhood, Ned Dunstan felt a connection to something he could not describe. Now as his mother is dying, she tells Ned he has a twin brother from whom he is in grave danger. And to add to his problems, Ned becomes a suspect in three violent deaths. Violence. Bestseller 1999.

Personal Injuries RC 48865
by Scott Turow
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Greedy personal-injury attorney Robbie Feaver is caught bribing judges in corrupt Kindle County. The FBI assigns agent Evon Miller to pose as his paralegal in the ensuing sting operation. Feaver's lawyer, George Mason, recounts events preceding the trial that leads to the eventual cleanup of the bench. Some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Second Wind RC 48866
by Dick Francis
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
British television meteorologist Perry Stuart and a coworker find a sponsor to fund their lifelong dream of flying into the eye of a hurricane. They crash off Trox Island, where they wash ashore and encounter mysterious men in anti-radiation suits, who harbor a dread conspiracy. Some violence. Bestseller 1999.

Ahab's Wife; or, The Star-Gazer RC 48867
by Sena Jeter Naslund
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
5 cassettes
Una recounts her life story in mid-nineteenth-century America when whaling and slavery were prevalent. She has firsthand adventures at sea disguised as a boy before her second marriage to Ahab, captain of the whaler *Pequod*. And as a widow, she finds a new role for herself in New England. Bestseller 1999.

Pop Goes the Weasel: Alex Cross—Detective RC 48868
by James Patterson
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
British Embassy employee Geoffrey Shafer, posted in Washington, D.C., is a player in a dangerous fantasy game. Detective Alex Cross, from *Cat and Mouse (RC 45155)*, unknowingly puts himself in the game and endangers his fiancée by noting the pattern of Shafer's killings. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

Daughter of Fortune RC 48869
by Isabel Allende
read by Gabriella Cavallero
3 cassettes
In 1849 Eliza Sommers follows her fiancé to California, where he has gone in search of gold. Her experiences in the harsh land gripped by gold fever transform her into an exceptional woman. She is befriended by a Chinese doctor who teaches her about the human condition. 1999.

The Alibi RC 48870
by Sandra Brown
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
The day a wealthy businessman is murdered, Charleston assistant D.A. Hammond Cross is having sex with a woman he just met. When she becomes a murder suspect, Cross realizes their meeting may have been planned. But why isn't she using him as her alibi? Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

Evil under the Sun: A Hercule Poirot Mystery RC 48877
by Agatha Christie
read by Tom Martin
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Glamorous Arlena Marshall, vacationing with her husband and stepdaughter on Smugglers Island, is found strangled to death. The famous Belgian detective, Hercule Poirot, finds that at least six of the other hotel guests had motives for the murder, but his usual faultless reasoning eventually uncovers the murderer, along with some surprises. 1940.

The Body in the Bouillon RC 48878
by Katherine Hall Page
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
Faith Fairchild, former caterer, takes a temporary job in the kitchen of a retirement home so she can investigate the mysterious death of a resident. When a blinding snowstorm forces her to spend the night, another corpse turns up in her bed. Some violence. 1991.

Broke Heart Blues RC 48884
by Joyce Carol Oates
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes
In the small town of Willowsville, New York, a sixteen-year-old newcomer, John Reddy Heart, becomes the center of attention when he is tried for the shooting death of his mother's lover. He unintentionally attains a mythic status that still persists at a class reunion thirty years later. Some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

A God in Ruins RC 48892
by Leon Uris
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Colorado governor Quinn Patrick O'Connell, an Irish Catholic adopted at age three, is running for president of the United States, and it looks as if he will win. Then a week before the election, O'Connell's past suddenly rushes forth to reveal long-hidden secrets that could cost him the election. Strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Only Mine RC 48896
by Elizabeth Lowell
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
England, 1867. To escape an arranged marriage, Lady Jessica Charteris hopes to convince longtime friend Wolfe Lonetree, the son of a Cheyenne woman and an English lord, to marry her in name only. But she is little prepared for what it means to be an American frontier wife. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

The Curious Affair of the Third Dog RC 48902
by Patricia Moyes
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes (Reissue)
While on holiday in Dorset, Scotland Yard Inspector Henry Tibbett and his wife, Emmy, investigate skulduggery in greyhound racing that leads to a murder. 1973.

Death and Restoration: A Jonathan Argyll Mystery RC 48903
by Iain Pears
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Flavia di Stefan, of the art theft squad, learns that infamous English art thief Mary Verney is returning to Italy. Flavia enlists the help of her fiancé, lecturer Jonathan Argyll, to keep Mary from plundering any more items. They soon realize that the target is an obscure madonna icon of little obvious value. 1996.

Thief of Hearts RC 48905
by Katherine Stone
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Dr. Caitlin Taylor is a well-known heart surgeon. Her mentor and "honorary brother," trauma surgeon Dr. Patrick Falconer, is also highly respected. Now he is dying, and Caitlin will do all she can to save him—even contacting his estranged twin brother, Jesse, at the risk

of exposing potentially deadly secrets. 1999.

Still Waters RC 48906
by Tami Hoag
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Elizabeth Stuart flees to a small Amish town after a sensational divorce from her media mogul husband. When Elizabeth and her troubled teenaged son become murder suspects, sheriff Dane Jantzen both attracts and antagonizes her. Explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Bestseller 1992.

The Carringtons of Helston RC 48907
by Malcolm Macdonald
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
In 1914 American John Carrington returns to his ancestral home in Cornwall with his young adult children, Leah and William, to refurbish the family estate. They also unknowingly walk into an old feud with the neighboring Liddicoats. Soon, however, all three find love in the most unlikely places. 1997.

Home Fires: A Deborah Knott Mystery RC 48909
by Margaret Maron
read by Nona Pipes
2 cassettes
North Carolina judge Deborah Knott investigates after her nephew's friends are blamed for a series of racist acts. The young men have admitted to vandalizing a cemetery, but it looks like they've moved on to burning churches, and now someone is dead. Some strong language. 1998.

Amy and Isabelle RC 48913
by Elizabeth Strout
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
In a small mill town Isabelle, a single mother, works hard raising her teenage daughter, Amy. But when Amy attracts the attentions of her math teacher, Mr. Robertson, and their afternoon trysts are discovered, the delicate balance between mother and daughter is disrupted. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Yesteryear RC 48917
by Dorothy Garlock
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
As the Civil War ends, Addie Hyde, who is pregnant, learns that her husband is dead. She also discovers that the two orphans and young black woman she's been caring for are in danger. Desperate, Addie accepts help from a stranger, John Tallman. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Just Plain Pickled to Death: A Pennsylvania Dutch Mystery with Recipes RC 48925
by Tamar Myers
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Amish-Mennonite innkeeper Magdalena Yoder finds the body of a young woman missing for twenty years in one of her wedding presents—a barrel of sauerkraut. The gift-giver is her future father-in-law, and the corpse is his niece. Magdalena races to expose the killer before the vows are spoken. 1997.

I've Been to London RC 48932
by Temple Bailey
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Peg Pierce, beautiful and impetuous, has just returned from a trip to London where she had hoped to become known as a dancer. On the return trip aboard ship, she falls in love with Gerry Mitchell. In the meantime, her sister Pam finds herself developing an attraction to their neighbor Fergus MacHugh. 1937.

Of Men and of Angels: The Galway Chronicles, Volume 2 RC 48936
by Bodie Thoene and Brock Thoene
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Joseph Connor Burke returns to Ballynockanor to claim his land and is asked to join the Repeal Movement against England. Although he supports the movement, he prefers to help the people on his estate. He also hopes to reclaim the heart of Kate Donovan Garrity. Sequel to *Only the River Runs Free (RC 46729)*. 1998.

Ender's Shadow RC 48937
by Orson Scott Card
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
Card returns to the beginning of his Ender Quartet with a companion to *Ender's Game (RC 22934)*. Bean, a precocious child resulting from an illegal genetic experiment, is recruited from the streets of Rotterdam and sent to Battle School where he becomes an ally of Ender Wiggin. Some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Only You RC 48942
by Elizabeth Lowell
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Matt Moran never goes looking for a gunfight, but he finds one after a card game in which the dealer, Evening Star, bets herself. She hopes to win back the treasure map stolen from her murdered parents. Soon Moran and Evening Star are searching for hidden gold. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

Lady Be Good RC 48952
by Susan Elizabeth Phillips
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Lady Emma Wells-Finch, a proper English headmistress, believes the only polite way to discourage an unwanted marriage proposal is to prove she is unfit by ruining her own reputation. She heads to Texas and meets pro golfer Kenny Traveler. Their personalities clash so completely she risks having her plan foiled. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

The Farther Adventures of Robinson Crusoe RC 48953
by Daniel Defoe
read by Randy Davidson
3 cassettes
After the death of his wife, Crusoe and his man, Friday, set sail from London to return to his beloved island. This 1719 sequel to *Robinson Crusoe (RC 27138)* contains an introduction and editorial notes by Joe Wheeler for Tyndale House Publishers. 1999.

The Soldier Spies: Men at War, Volume 3 RC 48954
by W.E.B. Griffin
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
In November 1942 as the invasion of

North Africa begins, young OSS officer Eric Fulmar is assigned a mission in Morocco. Later he is involved in smuggling a Jewish scientist and his daughter out of Germany. Companion to *The Secret Warriors (RC 47414)*. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1986.

The End of Summer RC 48956
by Rosamunde Pilcher
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
Twenty-one-year-old Jane Marsh returns to her grandmother's house in Scotland after seven vagabond years in America with her father. Once home, she becomes reacquainted with her cousin, Sinclair, and discovers some unsavory family secrets. 1971.

Cavedweller RC 48959
by Dorothy Allison
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Years ago Randall Pritchard helped Delia Byrd flee from an abusive husband in Georgia. Now Pritchard is dead, so Delia takes her child, Cissy, and returns to claim the two daughters she left behind, Amanda and Dede. But Delia isn't prepared for the bargain she'll have to make. Some strong language. 1998.

Moonwar RC 48961
by Ben Bova
read by Brian Conn
3 cassettes
In the sequel to *Moonrise (RC 45918)*, U.N. Peacekeeper forces land at Moonbase to ban nanotechnology, vital to the outpost's survival. Doug Stavenger, without weapons, organizes a tactical opposition that hinges on his ability to outsmart the deranged U.N. leader. Each side is committed to fulfilling its mission. Some strong language. 1998.

Flights of Angels: Stories RC 48964
by Ellen Gilchrist
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Eighteen stories, set mainly in the South, in which Gilchrist uses some characters from previous collections. Several stories involve Aurora Harris, a precocious sixteen-year-old who goes to France with her parents and gets pregnant. In "A Lady with Pearls," a woman suddenly realizes she no longer loves her husband. 1998.

Zero Option: A Novel of Suspense RC 48967
by P.T. Deutermann
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
An unscrupulous army-surplus manager obtains a cylinder of nerve gas and plans to make a fortune on the black market. A psychic teenager reads his mind. Meanwhile, Pentagon criminal investigator David Stafford's new assignment to Atlanta puts him right in the middle of the possible disaster. Strong language and violence. 1998.

Incident at Twenty-Mile RC 48968
by Trevanian
read by Randy Davidson
3 cassettes
In 1898 Matthew, an enigmatic young man, walks into Twenty-Mile, a railway stop of fifteen residents. He cons his way into odd jobs and lives in the marshal's empty office. When three escaped convicts—all sadistic lunatics—occupy the town, Matthew rises to the occasion. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

The Ghost Wagon and Other Great Western Adventures RC 48973
by Max Brand
read by Randy Atcher
2 cassettes
Four western stories by the late author. In the title piece, hard-riding Lew Carney sees eight dead men and a wagon coming out of the desert. He learns later that the phantoms include Mary Hamilton, a pretty girl, and Jack Doyle, a gambler. Some violence. 1996.

The Death of an Irish Tinker: A Peter McGarr Mystery RC 48977
by Bartholomew Gill
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Dublin detective Peter McGarr has been trying for years to put away drug dealer Des Bacon. Biddy Nevins, an illiterate, itinerant artist, witnesses a murder by Bacon and flees after he also kills her lover. Twelve years later she returns, seeking revenge. Strong language and violence. 1997.

Sanctuary RC 49007
by William Faulkner
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Mississippi lawyer Horace Benbow becomes involved with young coed Temple Drake, who is then brutally raped. The investigation reveals human evil amidst poor white moonshiners, half-wits, and prostitutes. First published in 1931; contains 1985 changes made by Noel Polk based on the author's notes. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1931.

Bend Sinister RC 49022
by Vladimir Nabokov
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
Middle-aged Professor Krug and his young son, David, encounter arbitrary policies in an unnamed tyrannical police state. Krug gradually disintegrates under the duress of maintaining personal standards in a totalitarian society. First novel by the Russian author after arriving in the United States. 1947.

Plainsong RC 49056
by Kent Haruf
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Life in the small town of Holt, Colorado, includes a high school teacher caring for his two young sons as his wife leaves him. His coworker, later his lover, convinces two old rancher brothers to take in an outcast pregnant student. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1999.

The Beetle and Me: A Love Story RC 49078
by Karen Romano Young
read by Nanette Savard
1 cassette
At fifteen, Daisy, who is as obsessed with cars as the rest of her family, convinces her reluctant father to let her try to restore his purple 1957 Volkswagen Beetle. While she struggles to work on the car, Daisy experiences her first relationships with boys. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

In Pursuit of the Proper Sinner RC 49102
by Elizabeth George
read by Mitzi Friedlander
5 cassettes
Inspector Thomas Lynley's search for

clues to connect a suicide and several murders provides him with multiple suspects. Lynley's longtime partner, Barbara Havers, works extra hard in hopes of redeeming her reputation lost in *Deception on His Mind (RC 44764)*. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Irresistible Forces RC 49103
by Danielle Steel
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
When New York investment banker Meredith Whitman accepts a job in California, her physician husband, Steven, agrees to join her soon. But a long-distance marriage is hard to maintain, and Meredith eventually has an affair with her boss, while Steven becomes involved with a coworker. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

The Lamorna Wink: A Richard Jury Mystery RC 49174
by Martha Grimes
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Melrose Plant retreats to Cornwall for a vacation. Unfortunately, he gets little peace when an innkeeper disappears, two locals are murdered, and he learns his rented house was the drowning site for two children. Somehow these events are all connected. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

A Gown of Spanish Lace RC 49180
by Janette Oke
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Ariana Benson, a religious young schoolteacher, never knew her birth mother but treasures the wedding dress she inherited. She falls in love with Laramie Lawrence, the adopted son of an outlaw boss. They plan to marry but when Laramie sees the gown of Spanish lace, they realize they may be siblings. 1995.

Marry Me: A Romance RC 49181
by John Updike
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Lighthearted novel of well-to-do suburbia and adultery in the 1960s. Jerry and Sally are in love, though married to others. Jerry's nice wife, Ruth, is having an affair with Sally's quirky husband, Richard. Strong language. 1976.

The Nick Adams Stories RC 49189
by Ernest Hemingway
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Twenty-four of Hemingway's stories featuring Nick Adams. Arranged to depict segments of Adams's life in chronological order, they portray his childhood and adolescence, followed by his years as a soldier, veteran, writer, and parent. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1972.

Before I Say Good-Bye RC 49736
by Mary Higgins Clark
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Just as Nell MacDermott has decided to run for her grandfather's New York congressional seat, her architect husband's yacht blows up with him on board. When a medium claims to be in touch with the dead man, Nell, psychically gifted herself, is drawn into an investigation of conspiracy and murder. Bestseller 2000.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Lives of the Presidents: Fame, Shame (and What the Neighbors Thought) RC 47067
by Kathleen Krull
read by Ray Dizefalo
1 cassette
Unusual biographical facts about the personal lives of the presidents of the United States. Discusses the presidents as fathers, husbands, pet owners, and neighbors. Provides information on hairstyles, favorite foods, and sports and also some bad habits and fears. For grades 3-6. 1998.

The Abracadabra Kid: A Writer's Life RC 47862
by Sid Fleischman
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Autobiography of the Newbery Award-winning author. Fleischman recalls wanting to be a magician since the fifth grade and teaching himself tricks from library books. He describes growing up in the Depression, becoming a traveling showman, and finally embarking on a career as a writer. For grades 5-8. 1996.

Myth Maker: J.R.R. Tolkien RC 47919
by Anne E. Neimark
read by John Horton
1 cassette
A brief biography of the creator of *The Hobbit (RC 11497)*. Presents in narrative form Tolkien's early childhood in South Africa, his move to England, becoming an orphan, and the importance of religion and education in his development. Discusses his marriage, his career as a professor, and the mythological world he created. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1996.

Biscuits in the Cupboard RC 48398
by Barbara Nichol
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Collection of poems and rhymes introducing a group of dogs and their canine wishes. Some love to romp in the grass or to jump up and down on the bed; others just want something to eat. A few beg for "no fleas, please." For grades K-3. 1997.

I, Too, Sing America: Three Centuries of African American Poetry RC 48399
compiled by Catherine Clinton
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Thirty-five selections by twenty-five prominent poets spanning American history from colonial days through modern times. A brief biography and explanatory notes precede each work. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1998.

A World of Holidays! RC 48650
by Louisa Campbell
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Explains five celebrations in different na-

tions: the New Year in Japan, Ramadan and Eid-ul-Fitr in Pakistan, national independence day in Namibia, Thanksgiving in Canada, and Christmas in Mexico. Each description is followed by a short story about a child enjoying that holiday. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Whitney Houston RC 48655
by Ted Cox
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Biography of the pop singer Whitney Houston. Describes her childhood growing up in New Jersey influenced by her cousin Dionne Warwick and her mother, Cissy, who was involved in church and gospel music. Traces her rise to fame and her tumultuous marriage to hip-hop star Bobby Brown. For grades 5-8. 1997.

Living with Albinism RC 48657
by Elaine Landau
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
Describes the medical condition called albinism, including the causes and complications. Provides suggestions for healthy living. Includes a glossary and list of related organizations. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Tomi: A Childhood under the Nazis RC 48742
by Tomi Ungerer
read by Robert Blumenfeld
1 cassette
The writer's reminiscences of scenes he witnessed as an eight-year-old boy in a Protestant family in 1940, when the German army marched into Alsace. Records the reactions of the French-speaking population to the deprivations of wartime and to the Nazi occupation. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1998.

No Pretty Pictures: A Child of War RC 48893
by Anita Lobel
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Memoir of her Jewish childhood in Nazi-occupied Poland. Reminiscences include being separated from her parents, living with her Christian nanny, and trying to protect her younger brother by disguising him as a girl. Covers hardships of the war years, a stay in a Swedish refugee center, and her eventual reunion with her parents. For grades 5-8. 1998.

At Her Majesty's Request: An African Princess in Victorian England RC 48916
by Walter Dean Myers
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
The life of an African princess who was about to be killed in a ritual sacrifice in 1850 when she was rescued by Commander Forbes, taken to England, and presented to Queen Victoria as Sarah Forbes Bonetta. The queen became Sarah's protector and godmother to her first child. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Alexander Fleming: Discoverer of Penicillin RC 48962
by Ted Gottfried
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Describes Fleming's early years in Scotland, his schooling in England, and his work with the British Army Medical Services. Also discusses his discovery of penicillin and his difficulties in getting others to believe in his breakthrough. Includes a glossary of medical terms and a chronology. For grades 6-9. 1997.

The Story of Baseball RC 48975
by Lawrence S. Ritter
read by Randy Atcher
1 cassette
In this new edition of his 1990 work, Ritter traces the history of baseball, assesses the elements of the game, and describes later developments such as players' strikes and trades. Includes batting records of Sammy Sosa and Mark McGuire; discusses card collecting and commonly used signals. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1999.

Wild Children: Growing Up without Human Contact RC 49058
by Elaine Landau
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Discusses the term "wild children" in general and relates four case histories of children found living outdoors or without adult guidance. Describes Victor, a French boy captured in 1799; Kaspar, a German youth found in 1828; two jungle girls in India in the 1920s; and an American girl in 1970. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Mountain Biking RC 49093
by Larry Dane Brimner
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
Describes the history of the sport of mountain biking, the construction of a bike, and the etiquette and ecology of the pastime. Includes safety instructions and a list of associations and magazines. For grades 4-7. 1997.

The *Hindenburg* RC 49121
by Tom Stacey
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Discusses Germany's invention of dirigibles, examining them from a historical, scientific, and human perspective. The main focus is on the *Hindenburg*, especially its final journey to Lakehurst, New Jersey, where, during the landing, it burst into flame and burned in thirty-four seconds. For grades 5-8. 1990.

***Engel v. Vitale*: Separation of Church and State RC 49122**
by Carol Haas
read by Lou Harpenau
1 cassette
In 1959 five families from New York state filed a lawsuit regarding prayer in public schools. The case eventually reached the U.S. Supreme Court as *Engel v. Vitale*. Haas, an attorney, examines the course the case took and the debate that revolved around the relationship between religion and government. For grades 6-9. 1994.

John Wesley Powell: Explorer of the Grand Canyon RC 49187
by Roger A. Bruns
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Briefly describes Powell's early years, marriage, and Civil War service, followed by a more detailed portrait of his life as an explorer. Recalls his contributions as an adventurer, conservationist, geologist, and anthropologist. For grades 6-9. 1997.

Paul Revere: Rider for the Revolution RC 49212
by Barbara Ford
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Biography of the hero of the American Revolution who, in 1775, rode to spread the word that the British were leaving Boston on a military mission. Describes his early life, including his

involvement in the French and Indian War, his career as a silversmith, his later court-martial, and his business success. For grades 6-9. 1997.

The Story of Chess RC 49244
by Horacio Cardo
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
Long ago a man named Sissa devises a game in tribute to a war. Beginning with the squares on the board and the king as the key figure, Sissa explains the basic movements of each chess piece and the overall strategy of the game. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1998.

Cassettes Fiction

Dippers RC 46527
by Barbara Nichol
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
In an old letter found in the Toronto Archives, Margaret describes the summer of 1912, when she was seven. Her sister was very ill, and Margaret saw her father for the first time; but what she remembers best are the timid, winged, dog-like animals that were flying around her river neighborhood. For grades 4-7. 1997.

Seedfolks RC 47065
by Paul Fleischman
read by Larry Shapiro
1 cassette
A Vietnamese girl plants lima beans and begins the transformation of a trash-filled vacant lot into a community garden. People of many nationalities join in and friendships develop among the gardeners. For grades 5-8. 1997.

The Blizzard Disaster RC 47066
by Peg Kehret
read by Ray Dizefalo
1 cassette
Minnesota, 1940. Janis Huff worries that her father may put down her blind horse. She and her family are unaware that they will soon be fighting for their lives in a huge blizzard. Meanwhile, two teens from the future plan a school research project about the storm and try to teleport themselves back to that day on the Huff farm. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Masks RC 47458
by Gloria Hatrick
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Will Chisholm wakes up one morning and cannot move. A few hours later, he is in the hospital, paralyzed by Guillain-Barre syndrome. His younger brother, Pete, stays by his side trying to communicate with Will. Then Pete remembers his father's animal mask collection he and Will used to play with. When Pete puts a mask on Will's face, he gets some response. But when Pete also dons a mask, a dramatic event occurs. For grades 5-8. 1992.

Fire Arrow: The Second Song of Eirren RC 47823
by Edith Pattou
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Brie, the young archer who accompanied Collun to rescue his sister in *Hero's Song (RC 47822)*, takes her own journey to avenge her father's murder. Her nurse's last words lead Brie to a magic arrow and other omens and thence to

Dungal, where danger awaits. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Inside the Walls of Troy: A Novel of the Women Who Lived the Trojan War RC 47839
by Clemence McLaren
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
Queen Helen of Sparta, the most beautiful woman in the world, and Prince Paris fall in love and flee to Troy. Paris's sister, Cassandra, is a prophetess who foresees the doom their impetuous act will bring, even before Helen arrives and the Greeks lay siege to Troy. Helen and Cassandra, along with other women, helplessly watch the battles from the city's walls. For grades 6-9. 1996.

Tracks in the Snow RC 47853
by Lucy Jane Bledsoe
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
Erin is sure something has happened to her babysitter Amy when she doesn't show up one evening. Her parents and even the police refuse to help, pointing out that Amy and her mother had planned to move to Arizona by now. Knowing how much Amy didn't want to move, Erin begins searching for Amy and faces survival in a raging snowstorm. For grades 3-6. 1997.

Jeremy's Dreidel RC 48390
by Ellie Gellman
read by David Elias
1 cassette
Jeremy's art class at the Jewish center is making dreidels for Hanukkah. Each child can design one. Jeremy plans to use a special design for his father, who is blind. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1992.

Rachel's Journal: The Story of a Pioneer Girl RC 48394
by Marissa Moss
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Ten-year-old Rachel's account of her family's journey from their home in Illinois to California in 1850. She describes crossing the muddy Missouri River and the swollen Platte River, the scorching deserts, and the snow-covered Sierra Nevada and the birth of her baby sister, who is named Sierra Nevada. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Celtic Myths RC 48632
retold by Sam McBratney
read by Mary Kane
1 cassette
Fifteen tales from the British Isles. Includes "The Green Man," a version of Sir Gawain and the Green Knight. In "Little Fawn," a woman transformed into a fawn raises a boy on a mountain for several years until his human father takes over. For grades 4-7. 1997.

Off the Road RC 48640
by Nina Bawden
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
2040. Eleven-year-old Tom chases after his grandfather when the "old one" escapes from inside the wall. Tom has been taught that the wild outside is full of killer trees, demons, and trolls, but instead he discovers a rural agrarian society—where his grandfather lived long ago. Tom also discovers families. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Child of the Wolves RC 48829
by Elizabeth Hall
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
A Siberian husky puppy named Granite

runs away while being sold to a dog-team trainer. Although he escapes into the Alaskan wilderness, he has trouble surviving until a mother wolf adopts him. But Granite still has to win his own place in the pack. For grades 4-7. 1996.

Gooseberry Park RC 48830
by Cynthia Rylant
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Stumpy the squirrel leaves to find help after a storm knocks down her tree, leaving her three babies homeless. Her friends Murray the bat and Kona, a dog, rescue Stumpy's babies while she is gone. Then Kona's problem is how to find Stumpy. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Dangerous Games RC 48901
by Joan Aiken
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Dido Twite has been ordered to find Lord Herodsfoot, King James III's roving ambassador who looks for new games for the king. She is headed to Aratu, but she must be careful, because the area is inhabited by dangerous creatures. Sequel to *Wolves of Willoughby Chase (RC 30653)*. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Max the Mighty RC 48951
by Rodman Philbrick
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Freak the Mighty (RC 38800)*, fourteen-year-old Maxwell Kane helps a young girl—nicknamed "Worm" because she loves to read—escape from her abusive stepfather. Max runs away with Worm to the distant town of Chivalry, Montana, searching for her biological father. For grades 6-9. 1998.

Littlejim's Dreams RC 48955
by Gloria Houston
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
In 1920 fourteen-year-old Littlejim dreams of continuing his education and becoming an aviator. But when his mother becomes seriously ill and his logger father, Bigjim, has problems with a timber thief, Littlejim makes helping his family his top priority. For grades 4-7. 1997.

Forty Acres and Maybe a Mule RC 48970
by Harriette Gillem Robinet
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Pascal, who is about twelve, is excited when his brother Gideon returns home in 1865 saying that all black men are free, and they can have forty acres of land and maybe a mule. Along with Nelly, a young slave girl, they set out to claim their land. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Alice on the Outside RC 48971
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Now in the eighth grade, Alice of *Achingly Alice (RC 46549)* has a lot of questions about sex and, since her mother is dead, turns to her grown cousin for answers. Meanwhile, a classmate secretly admits she's a lesbian and Alice's schoolmates learn about prejudice. For grades 6-9. 1999.

The Birchbark House RC 48991
by Louise Erdrich
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
1840s. In Omakayas's seventh spring, she helps her Ojibwa family build a summer home on an island in Lake Su-

perior. That winter during a smallpox outbreak, Omakayas shows her devotion to her family and learns about her heritage. For grades 4-7. 1999.

We Are Best Friends RC 48992
by Aliki
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
When Robert's best friend Peter moves away, Robert feels sad and lonely. The boys miss each other but learn that they can make new friends while still being best friends to each other. For grades K-3. 1982.

Sang Spell RC 48996
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
Recently orphaned, Josh Vardy is hitchhiking from Boston to Dallas to live with an aunt. After being beaten and robbed in the Appalachians, Josh is rescued by a community of ginseng gatherers who live without twentieth-century conveniences. Once in Melungeon territory, no one will help him leave. For grades 6-9. 1998.

Night of the Living Dummy: Goosebumps RC 49066
by R.L. Stine
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
When Lindy Powell finds a ventriloquist's dummy in a dumpster, she names him Slappy and works on an act to perform at children's birthday parties. Her twin sister, Kris, is jealous until she has a dummy too, but then some weird things start happening. For grades 4-7. 1993.

The Sixth Grade Nickname Game RC 49111
by Gordon Korman
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Best friends Jeff and Wiley enjoy picking nicknames that stick, but occasionally their game backfires. Their new teacher may be fired because class Six B, the "dim bulbs," failed their practice reading test. To prove they aren't so dim, they need to pass the test and save their teacher. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Maxie, Rosie, and Earl: Partners in Grime RC 49114
by Barbara Park
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Earl Wilber, a new fifth grader, has trouble reading aloud in class. Rosie Swanson has a habit of writing tattletale notes to her teacher. And Maxie Zuckerman is just too smart for his own good. When they all get sent to the principal's office, they bond together to save themselves. For grades 4-7. 1990.

Seal Island School RC 49175
by Susan Bartlett
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
There are only forty-nine residents on Seal Island, and just six students in school. The students have a new teacher every year because teachers find the island too lonely. But Pru, who celebrates her ninth birthday with a big surprise, hopes she can persuade Miss Sparling to stay. For grades 2-4. 1999.

Expecting the Unexpected RC 49204
by Mavis Jukes
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old River is dismayed when

the detailed lectures by Nurse Furley in their Human Interaction class make her suspect that someone she knows is secretly pregnant. Meanwhile, she and her classmates try to win best class even as they play daily pranks on their teacher. For grades 6-9. 1996.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Alina: Memorias de la Hija Rebelde de Fidel Castro RC 48076
por Alina Fernández
leído por Maria Pino
2 cassettes
La autora nació en 1956, engendrada de una relación muy breve entre Fidel Castro y su madre, Naty Revuelta. Fernández narra la historia de su vida en la Cuba castrista, acentuando la singular relación que tenía con su poderoso padre. Cuenta sus experiencias hasta 1994, el momento en que pudo dejar la isla. (The author was born in 1956, the product of a brief union between Fidel Castro and her mother, Naty Revuelta. Fernández recounts the story of her life in Castro's Cuba focusing on the unusual relationship she had with her powerful father up to the time she managed to leave the island in 1994.) 1997.

Peregrinos de Aztlán RC 48675
por Miguel Méndez
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Novela del autor chicano que pinta la vida de Loreto Maldonado, un pobre campesino que quiere ganarse la vida lavando coches. Loreto anda por las calles de una ciudad norteamericana fronteriza, mezclándose con los otros campesinos pobres y abatidos que forman la clase baja de la sociedad mexicano-americana. Lenguaje injurioso. (Novel by the Chicano author depicts Loreto Maldonado, a poor Mexican campesino who wanders the streets of an American border town trying to earn a living by washing cars. He and those he encounters embody the downtrodden underclass of Mexican-American society. Strong language.) 1974.

Fulastres y Fulastrones y Otras Estampas Cubanas RC 48677
por José Sánchez-Boudy
leído por Juan Ramirez
1 cassette
El autor cubano-americano presenta más de cuarenta viñetas de humor y color local que pintan el carácter y la cultura cubanos. En el relato de fulastrones Sánchez-Boudy describe a aquellos tipos comunes y sin escrúpulos que siempre se aprovechan de sus amigos para salirse con la suya. (The Cuban American author presents more than forty colorful and humorous vignettes describing Cuban character and culture. The title piece examines those unprinci-

pled but familiar types who seek advantages over their friends through fast talking and opportunism.) 1987.

El Sueño Americano: Cómo los Latinos Pueden Triunfar en Estados Unidos
RC 48679
por Lionel Sosa
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Un hombre de negocios latino de mucha influencia describe las características esenciales para llegar a ser un empresario latino de éxito en los Estados Unidos. Basándose en su propia experiencia, así como la experiencia de otros latinos famosos, Sosa ofrece consejos sobre planificación, actitud positiva, autoconfianza, la negociación, y sobre todo, la transformación de la herencia cultural en una ventaja. (An influential Hispanic businessman outlines the essential characteristics of the successful Hispanic entrepreneur in the United States. Drawing upon his own experience and that of other famous Hispanics, Sosa offers advice on planning, attitude, self-assurance, investment, marketing, and, above all, using one's cultural heritage to advantage.) 1998.

El Aliento de la Vida: Cuentos Nicaragüenses RC 48680
por John C. Wilcox
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Un médico norteamericano presenta trece cuentos sobre Nicaragua que reflejan sus experiencias y sentimientos con el pueblo nicaragüense. En el cuento "Aliento de la Vida," un nino enfermizo cría un gallo valiente que va a ser el campeón de la riña de gallos. (A doctor from the United States presents thirteen stories based on his experiences in Nicaragua and his close relationships with the people of that country. The title story, "El Aliento de la Vida" ("The Breath of Life"), describes a frail young boy who raises a rooster to be a champion cock fighter.) 1980.

Finale Capriccioso con Madonna
RC 48681
por Rafael Humberto Moreno-Durán
leído por Maria Pino
3 cassettes
Novela del autor colombiano que tiene por centro el universo femenino. Empleando un estilo particular de imágenes míticas y clásicas, Moreno-Durán pinta un cuadro de las complicadas relaciones entre mujeres bellas y artisticas y los hombres que las entronizan. Lenguaje injurioso y descripciones de índole sexual. (Novel by a Colombian author who delves into the universe of the feminine psyche. Moreno-Durán employs mythological imagery and classical references in describing complicated relationships between beautiful, artistic women and the men who love them. Strong language and descriptions of sex.) 1983.

Los Cuadernos de Don Rigoberto
RC 48683
por Mario Vargas Llosa
leído por Juan Ramirez
3 cassettes
Alfonso quiere que su padre, Don Rigoberto, se reuna con su madrastra, Lucrecia, a pesar de que fue Alfonso que hizo fallar el matrimonio. A través de sus intrigas, cada uno de ellos se entregan a sus fantasías eróticas acerca del otro. Don Rigoberto, en sus minuciosos escritos, va elaborando un excepcional

tratado de la imaginación sensual que llega a ser un verdadero eligio del amor y placer. (Alfonso schemes to reunite his father, Don Rigoberto, with his stepmother, Lucrecia—despite having orchestrated their breakup. Throughout these machinations, each of the three indulge their erotic fantasies about the others. Don Rigoberto records his in notebooks, creating a testimonial of the psychology of love and desire.) 1997.

Paseo de la Reforma RC 48684
por Elena Poniatowska
leído por Juan Ramirez
1 cassette
Al sufrir un accidente, el joven Ashby Egbert de la alta burguesía mexicana pasa un rato en un hospital público donde descubre el otro México, el de los parias y el de los obreros. Mientras aprende más sobre las divisiones económicas y sociales de su país, algo empieza a cambiar en su interior, y cuando conoce a una mujer indomable y de la militancia de izquierda, su vida cambia profundamente. (An accident lands wealthy young Ashby Egbert in a worker's hospital. There he learns of the vast economic and social divisions of his native Mexico for the first time. When he falls for a young woman who is a leftist intellectual and social activist, his life takes new and unexpected directions.) 1996.

Antología Personal RC 48685
por José Luis González
leído por Juan Ramirez
3 cassettes
El autor puertorriqueño contemporáneo presenta una recopilación de sus cuentos y otros escritos ques abarcan cuatro décadas de su obra literaria. En el cuento "Cuando Volvimos a Ser Gente," un obrero puertorriqueño que vive en Nueva York narra una historia del gran apagón de electricidad. (The contemporary Puerto Rican author presents a collection of his short stories and other writings produced over four decades. Includes "Cuando Volvimos a Ser Gente" ("When We Became Human Again"), relating the experiences of a Puerto Rican factory worker during a blackout in New York City.) 1990.

El Joven Colombo RC 48711
por Ramón Hernández
leído por Juan Ramirez
1 cassette
El joven Cristóbal Colón, ciudadano de la República de Genova, encuentra aventuras y peligro viajando por el mundo mediterráneo del siglo quince. Sus aventuras, sirviéndole de un prólogo formativo ante su destino histórico, culminan en una terrible batalla de mar contra piratas en 1476. (Young Christopher Columbus, citizen of the Republic of Genoa, encounters adventure and danger as he travels around the fifteenth-century Mediterranean. His adventures, serving as a formative prelude to his historic destiny, culminate in a desperate sea battle against pirates in 1476.) 1995.

Comizahual: Leyendas, Tradiciones y Relatos de Honduras RC 48791
por Medardo Mejía
leído por Juan Ramirez
3 cassettes
Colección de más de cuarenta relatos acerca de las leyendas, las tradiciones y la historia de Honduras. El relato sobre Comizahual es una presentación dramática que se trata de la diosa tolteca que enseño economía y agricultura a las tribus matriacales y que se enamoró

de un hombre mortal. (Collection of more than forty narratives about the legends, traditions, and history of Honduras. The title piece presents a dramatic retelling of the myth of Comizahual, the Toltec goddess who taught economy and agriculture to the matriarchal tribes and who fell in love with a human.) 1981.

Hija de la Fortuna RC 48792
por Isabel Allende
leído por Maria Pino
3 cassettes
En 1849 la joven Eliza Sommers sigue a su amante quien parte hacia California en busca de oro. Sus experiencias en una tierra dura, marcada por la fiebre de oro, transforman a la joven inocente en una mujer fuera de lo común. Recibe ayuda y afecto de un médico chino quien le enseña mucho de la condición humana. (Eliza Sommers follows her fiancé in 1849 to California, where he has gone in search of gold. Her experiences in a harsh land gripped by gold fever transform her into an exceptional woman. She is befriended by a Chinese doctor who teaches her about the human condition.) 1999.

***A Rey Muerto, Rey Puesto* y Unos Relatos Más RC 48793**
por José López Heredia
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
El autor, puertorriqueño de Nueva York, presenta cuatro relatos en que se recogen las vidas de varios personajes de ilusiones troncadas. El primer relato se trata de la grandeza y la decadencia de un joven boxeador, ídolo de la juventud hispana de Nueva York. (A collection of four stories by a Puerto Rican author that deal with the lives of persons whose dreams have been shattered. The title story is about the rise and fall of a young Puerto Rican boxer idolized by the Hispanic youth of New York.) 1989.

Talking Book Magazines

Discs

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The Musical Mainstream (quarterly)
The Nation (47 issues)
National Geographic (monthly)
National Review (biweekly)
Quarterly Music Magazine (quarterly)
Talking Book Topics (bimonthly)
U.S. News and World Report (weekly)

Cassettes

For a free subscription to these magazines, contact your cooperating library.

Asimov's Science Fiction (12 issues)
The Atlantic Monthly (monthly)

Das Beste aus *Reader's Digest* (10 issues)

Bon Appétit (monthly)

Buenhogar (monthly)

Choice Magazine Listening (on loan from cooperating libraries, bimonthly)

Civilization: The Magazine of the Library of Congress (bimonthly)

Consumer Reports (monthly)

Cricket (for children, on one cassette with **National Geographic World,** monthly)

Discover (monthly)

Ebony (monthly)

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In Brief

National Advisory Group seeks advice

The members of the National Advisory Group on Collection Building Activities wish to thank their fellow patrons and librarians for their input concerning the NLS program. Please be assured that your ideas and suggestions are important to us and were thoroughly discussed in the committee's deliberations.

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Magazine of the Month Selections for 2001

Two NLS programs offer readers samplings of magazines not otherwise available through network libraries. Subscribers to Magazine of the Month and Young Adult Magazine of the Month receive a different audio magazine on cassette each month. For a free subscription to either program, contact your local cooperating library. Although the selections are subject to change, subscribers will receive some of the following magazines during the year 2001.

Magazine of the Month

- **O: The Oprah Magazine** (self-help and inspiration, fashion, recipes, and advice from the television guru)
- **Essence** (general interest, issues relevant to African American community and culture)
- **Vegetarian Times** (recipes, cooking tips, social issues)
- **Sports Illustrated for Women** (women's sports; health care, nutrition, psychology, news)
- **Hispanic Times** (Hispanic and Native American heritage, culture, and social issues; includes readers' contributions)
- **Success** (business trends, places, products, articles)
- **Policy Review** (conservative views on domestic and foreign policy issues)
- **Mother Jones** (progressive views, political commentary, and investigative reporting)
- **Smart Money: The Wall Street Journal Magazine of Personal Business** (business information for investors)
- **Men's Journal** (general interest, sports, action, and travel; columns on health, books, and movies)
- **Military History** (wars and battles from ancient to modern times; features dealing with personalities, weapons, and interviews)
- **Fine Cooking for People Who Have to Cook** (recipes and articles on food selection and preparation)

Alternates: **Country Living Gardener, Islands, New York, Real Simple, Travel Fifty and Beyond, Upscale**

Young Adult Magazine of the Month

- **Jump: For Girls Who Dare to Be Different** (fitness and health, fashion, feature articles)
- **Right On** (African American popular culture)
- **Careers and Colleges** (employment, higher education, jobs)
- **Latingirl** (fashion, health, beauty, celebrity interviews for Hispanic teens)
- **Surfer** (surfing techniques, well-known people, best worldwide locations)
- **Space Illustrated** (science of outer

space; includes works of science fiction)

- **PetLife: Your Companion Animal Magazine** (feature articles about animals in special circumstances, such as working in prisons, airports, or as mascots)
- **Swimming World and Junior Swimmer** (profiles of athletes, events, techniques, news)
- **Teen Vogue** (fashion, trends, celebrity interviews, and advice)
- **Backpacker: The Magazine of Wilderness Travel** (planning tips, equipment, attractions)
- **UFO Magazine** (space, UFO controversies)
- **Yahoo! Internet Life: So Many Sites, So Little Time** (online resources, information searches, consumer issues)

Alternates: **CosmoGirl, Girls' Life, Sixteen Magazine, Snowboarding, Teen Beat, TM: Teen Movieline, Twist**

Harry Potter series in NLS collection

Audiocassettes of J.K. Rowling's popular Harry Potter stories are available through network libraries. The most recent title, *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire (RC 50228)*, was shipped to libraries in September. Other titles in the series include *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone (RC 47260)*, *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets (RC 48437)*, *and Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azbakan (RC 48772)*. The books are also available in braille from network libraries and through the NLS Web-Braille system.

Student Financial Assistance

The U.S. Department of Education's Student Financial Assistance Program has updated on compact disc its audio recording of information on financial assistance for visually impaired students. Through a simulated conversation between a counselor and a student, the audio guide provides information on postsecondary student financial assistance from federal, state, and private sources. A free copy of the audio guide may be requested from:

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Federal Student Aid Information Center
P.O. Box 84
Washington, DC 20044-0084

TBT Note

Correction: The "In Brief" article entitled "Computer and Web Resources for People with Disabilities" in *TBT* (September-October 2000) contains two telephone numbers for the Alliance for Technology Access (ATA). To reach ATA, please use the first 800 number (1-800-455-7970) or the e-mail address <ATAinfo@ATAccess.org>.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

The Murder of Tutankhamen: A True Story RC 47024
by Bob Brier
read by Bob Kuhn
2 cassettes
Combining modern forensic technological evidence with historical facts, Brier proposes that the eighteen-year-old pharaoh was murdered. He supports his theory by detailing circumstantial evidence gleaned from reviewing Tutankhamen's remains and Brier's studies of the interaction of society and religion with the role of rulers in Ancient Egypt. 1998.

Changing Bodies, Changing Lives: A Book for Teens on Sex and Relationships RC 47124
by Ruth Bell
read by Kerry Cundiff
5 cassettes
Expanded third edition discusses sexual and emotional change during the adolescent years. Topics include sexually transmitted diseases, homosexuality, birth control, eating disorders, substance abuse, and living with violence. Teenagers are quoted throughout the book. Explicit descriptions of sex. For high school and older readers. 1998.

Gandhi: A Life RC 47325
by Yogesh Chadha
read by John Horton
4 cassettes
An Indian author's portrait of Mahatma Gandhi seeks to reclaim the "human being out of the many myths surrounding him." Presents his family background and details of the private man as well as the public persona. Places the Indian leader within the context of the political and historical developments of the early twentieth century. 1997.

Fix It Fast and Easy 2: Upgrading Your House RC 47677
by Glenn Haege
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
A guide for home owners who intend to make costly home improvements, including remodeling and major plumbing, electrical, and structural jobs. Companion to *Fix It Fast and Easy: America's Master Handyman Answers the Most Asked "How To" Questions (RC 47676)*. 1998.

Cassette Books, 1998 RC 47799
by National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
read by various narrators
4 cassettes
A catalog of talking books produced on cassette for adult and young adult readers during 1998. The nonfiction and fiction sections list books by subject categories. Separate listings identify books for young adult readers and for Spanish readers. 1998.

Outside Passage: A Memoir of an Alaskan Childhood RC 47856
by Julia Scully
read by Marilyn Gleason
2 cassettes
A woman's coming-of-age memoir recalls the two years she and her sister spent in an orphanage, her impoverished youth in a remote Alaskan town, and her teenage years during World War II, working in her widowed mother's roadhouse that served a rough trade of gold miners. 1998.

The Era of Good Feelings RC 47873
by George Dangerfield
read by Ralph Lowenstein
5 cassettes
Explores the nineteenth-century transitional period from the popular acceptance of Thomas Jefferson's political ideas, which stressed the importance of limiting central government in size and scope, to Andrew Jackson's, which emphasized the need for institutions to help protect the weak, oppressed, and exploited. Pulitzer Prize winner in American history. 1952.

Carl Sagan's Universe RC 47883
edited by Yervant Terzian and Elizabeth Bilson
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Twenty-four symposium papers to honor Carl Sagan's work on the occasion of his sixtieth birthday in October 1994 at Cornell University. Four major topics are presented: planetary exploration; life in the cosmos; science education; and science, environment, and public policy. 1997.

Dreaming Out Loud: Garth Brooks, Wynonna Judd, Wade Hayes, and the Changing Face of Nashville RC 47886
by Bruce Feiler
read by L.J. Ganser
3 cassettes
Traces the evolution of country music from the Grand Ole Opry to later methods of developing potential new stars. Highlights the careers of famous musicians Garth Brooks and Wynonna Judd. Discusses the business aspect of the music industry in Nashville. Some strong language. 1998.

The Invention That Changed the World: How a Small Group of Radar Pioneers Won the Second World War and Launched a Technological Revolution RC 47888
by Robert Buderi
read by Dennis Rooney
5 cassettes
Traces the development of radar technology, its use as a weapon in World War II, and its extensive peacetime applications. Recounts the secretive development of microwave radar early in the war and describes its critical value in the Battle of Britain, at Midway, and in other important conflicts. 1996.

Sophia Loren: A Biography RC 47901
by Warren G. Harris
read by Laura Giannarelli
4 cassettes
Biography of the Italian movie star. Born illegitimate in 1934, Sophia struggled to survive the hardships of World War II. With her mother orchestrating her career, she left school at fourteen to become a model. Traces her involvement with her future husband, Carlo Ponti, and the highlights of her film career. Includes a list of her films. Some strong language. 1998.

Constantinople: City of the World's Desire, 1453–1924 RC 48041
by Philip Mansel
read by Anne Flosnik
5 cassettes
Describes Constantinople, once capital of the Ottoman Empire, as an international center with power and influence that extended across political, cultural, social, and religious boundaries. Observes that the metropolis now known as Istanbul has also been called the "city of saints," "refuge of the universe," and "eye of the world." 1995.

There Once Was a World: A Nine-Hundred-Year Chronicle of the Shtetl of Eishyshok RC 48086
by Yaffa Eliach
read by Suzanne Toren
8 cassettes in 2 containers
The author was a young child when the massacre of September 26, 1941, left almost no survivors in her home of Eishyshok—one of the oldest Jewish settlements in Europe. Her re-creation of the shtetl's history describes community life, which centered around the homes, schools, and synagogues. 1998.

Wisecracker: The Life and Times of William Haines, Hollywood's First Openly Gay Star RC 48096
by William J. Mann
read by Ray Hagen
3 cassettes
Biography of the silent-screen star who was the number one box office draw in 1930. Focuses on the decade of Haines's stardom. Emphasizes his personal lifestyle—living with his male companion Jimmie Shields for fifty years—as a courageous and honest feat in the era before the gay movement. 1998.

Wormholes: Essays and Occasional Writings RC 48178
by John Fowles
read by David Cutler
3 cassettes
Some thirty representative pieces of Fowles's autobiographical statements, literary criticism, and commentaries on society and nature written between 1963 and 1997. The essays reflect themes found in his novels, the role of the writer, and his lifelong commitment to environmental issues. 1998.

Germany: A New History RC 48181
by Hagen Schulze
read by Lewis Grenville
3 cassettes
Two thousand years in the history of Germany, from the time of the Roman Empire until the fall of the Berlin Wall. Describes efforts to forge common bonds among diverse peoples and to instill national pride. Concludes with speculation about the future of the reunited country. 1998.

Down with Big Brother: The Fall of the Soviet Empire RC 48303
by Michael Dobbs
read by Ken Kliban
4 cassettes
Journalist's account of the demise of the Soviet Union based on reporting tours in Yugoslavia, Poland, and the Soviet Union between 1977 and 1993. Uses a dateline approach to discuss major economic and political events that led to Soviet president Gorbachev's resignation in 1991. 1996.

Earth Odyssey: Around the World in Search of Our Environmental Future RC 48309
by Mark Hertsgaard
read by Lewis Grenville
3 cassettes
Analyzes the impacts of human behavior on Earth's ecosystems and the consequences of environmental degradation. Examines the effects of global warming, the disappearance of rain forests, unchecked population growth, and pollution. Interviews scientists, activists, business leaders, and politicians about the condition of the biosphere and implications for the future. 1998.

Michael and Natasha: The Life and Love of Michael II, the Last of the Romanov Tsars RC 48312
by Rosemary Crawford and Donald Crawford
read by Frank Coffee
4 cassettes
Recounts the romance between Grand Duke Michael, brother of Tsar Nicholas, and Natasha Wulfert, a commoner already twice divorced. Traces their courtship, Russian society's reactions, their eventual marriage, and Michael's brief reign as tsar before his execution in June 1918. Based on diaries and private correspondence released from the Russian state archives. 1997.

The Best American Sports Writing, 1998 RC 48316
edited by Bill Littlefield
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
Twenty-six sports articles from American and Canadian magazines and newspapers. Linda Robertson writes about Richard Williams's grooming his daughters for tennis careers in "On Planet Venus." In "Late Boomer," Tom Boswell describes Brady Anderson, the Orioles center fielder. David Remnick covers boxer Mike Tyson in "Kid Dynamite Blows Up." Some strong language. 1998.

The Hand: How Its Use Shapes the Brain, Language, and Human Culture RC 48322
by Frank R. Wilson
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
A neurologist examines the human hand's role in the evolution of the species and in the development of the brain. Discusses the hand's versatility and influence on cognitive, emotional, linguistic, and psychological abilities. Interviews musicians, puppeteers, and surgeons for insights on how hands influence learning and career choices. 1998.

Chronicle of the Guayaki Indians RC 48392
by Pierre Clastres
read by Rick Foucheux
2 cassettes
A study of surviving members of a dwindling population in the forests of Paraguay, originally published in 1972. Written by a French anthropologist who

lived with this small group in 1963 and 1964, it portrays rituals surrounding birth, initiation, and death, as well as social customs involving food and cannibalism. Some violence. 1998.

The Czech Republic RC 48407
by Steven Otfinoski
read by Connie Crawford
1 cassette
Introduces the land and people of the eastern European country, its culture, and history, including its release from the Iron Curtain in 1989. Discusses economic problems and possible solutions. Includes a chronology. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1997.

Poland RC 48408
by Steven Otfinoski
read by Anne Hancock
1 cassette
The history, culture, and prospects for the future of the eastern European country of Poland. Discusses its seven geographical regions and recalls its "golden age." Describes the systems of democracy, Nazism, and communism embraced at various times over the years. Includes a brief chronology. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1995.

Ukraine RC 48410
by Steven Otfinoski
read by Norm Thibeault
1 cassette
Discusses the history, culture, and geography of the former Soviet republic. Describes the establishment of a new republic in 1991, the continued effects of the 1986 Chernobyl nuclear plant explosion, the renewal of religious traditions, and the economy. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1999.

King Leopold's Ghost: A Story of Greed, Terror, and Heroism in Colonial Africa RC 48452
by Adam Hochschild
read by Dan Bloom
3 cassettes
Chronicles the nineteenth-century enslavement, mutilation, and murder of millions of Africans by King Leopold of Belgium. Details the crusade by human-rights activists and the exposure of crimes against the Congolese. Argues that European and American governments contributed to these atrocities and tragedies by their silence. 1998.

A Devil and a Good Woman, Too: The Lives of Julia Peterkin RC 48461
by Susan Millar Williams
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
Biography of a South Carolina plantation owner who won the 1929 Pulitzer Prize for a novel, *Scarlet Sister Mary (RC 14880)*, about Gullah-speaking African Americans. Because she wrote about descendents of former slaves in the agrarian south, Peterkin was shunned. After a family tragedy, she retired from writing. 1997.

Handbook for Mortals: Guidance for People Facing Serious Illness RC 48469
by Joanne Lynn and Joan Harrold
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
Physicians offer practical advice to caretakers and patients on planning both medical and emotional responses to cases of severe illness. Topics include coping techniques, family matters, sudden death, mourning and grieving, and enduring losses. Suggests steps that help prepare for the future and lists organi-

zations that can provide information and assistance. 1999.

Calendar: Humanity's Epic Struggle to Determine a True and Accurate Year RC 48474

by David Ewing Duncan
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
Traces humanity's struggle to create a workable calendar from the earliest Stone Age markings to twentieth-century atomic clock accuracy. Discusses the concepts of time, numbers, and fixing dates in various world civilizations, with emphasis on European developments. 1998.

Your Life Is in Your Hands: The Path to Lasting Health and Happiness RC 48476

by Krishan Chopra
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
An Indian physician's guide to achieving a balance in life in order to increase physical and mental well-being. Offers advice on reducing stress through diet, exercise, and meditation. Explores the concept of karma and the power of prayer and self-discipline. Foreword by the author's son, philosopher Deepak Chopra. 1997.

Raised on Radio: In Quest of *The Lone Ranger*, Jack Benny, *Amos 'n' Andy*, *The Shadow*, Mary Noble, *The Great Gildersleeve*, *Fibber McGee and Molly*, Bill Stern, *Our Miss Brooks*, Henry Aldrich, *The Quiz Kids*, *Mr. First Nighter*, Fred Allen, *Vic and Sade*, *The Cisco Kid*, Jack Armstrong, Arthur Godfrey, *Bob and Ray*, the Barbour Family, Henry Morgan, Joe Friday, and Other Lost Heroes from Radio's Heyday RC 48481

by Gerald Nachman
read by Robert Sams
4 cassettes
The author discusses the golden age of radio from the 1920s to the 1950s, when it was "America's national indoor pastime." 1998.

Leonardo's Mountain of Clams and the Diet of Worms: Essays on Natural History RC 48483

by Stephen Jay Gould
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
Essays by a paleontologist from *Natural History* magazine. Discusses scientists of the past and their (often erroneous) theories about the earth. Includes Leonardo da Vinci's writings on how marine fossils ended up on mountaintops. The Diet of Worms refers, not to a culinary treat, but to the court that banned Martin Luther's work in 1521. 1998.

After the Death of a Child: Living with Loss through the Years RC 48488

by Ann K. Finkbeiner
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes
The author, whose son died at eighteen, describes stages of grief that follow the loss of a child. Based on interviews with bereaved parents contacted through a

national self-help organization, Compassionate Friends, she presents anecdotal evidence for her conclusion that no one ever completely lets go of the loved one. 1996.

Wickerby: An Urban Pastoral
RC 48518
by Charles Siebert
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
A poet-writer reflects on what he, a city dweller, learned during a five-month stay in an isolated Canadian cabin called Wickerby. Ponders the human role in the context of nature while he describes scenes from his Brooklyn neighborhood and the cabin's bucolic setting. Offers insights from readings, contemplation, and reminiscences. 1998.

Every Man a Tiger RC 48534
by Tom Clancy and Chuck Horner
read by Gregory Gorton
4 cassettes
Examines the early 1990s military operations known as Desert Shield and Desert Storm through the eyes of retired general Chuck Horner. Clancy describes Horner's unique qualifications to be commander of U.S. and allied air troops, including his knowledge of, and respect for, Arab culture. Companion to *Into the Storm (RC 44821)*. Bestseller 1999.

The Pushcart Prize XXIII: Best of the Small Presses, 1999 RC 48539
edited by Bill Henderson
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Sixty-eight selections—essays, poems, and short stories—from forty-two publishers. Contains works by both little-known and famous writers. Andre Dubus reflects on teaching Hemingway's "In Another Country." Joyce Carol Oates's "Faithless" depicts two girls whose mother has disappeared. Also includes a poem by Edward Hirsch, "The Lectures on Love." Some strong language. 1999.

Outsmarting the Midlife Fat Cell: Winning Weight Control Strategies for Women over Thirty-five to Stay Fit through Menopause RC 48546
by Debra Waterhouse
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
Nutritionist explains why midlife weight gain is so pervasive and what one can do about it. Discusses the role of fat cells and estrogen, why dieting doesn't work, and how to work around biology to minimize weight gain. Emphasizes attitude changes and stress management by modifying eating and exercise habits. 1998.

The End of the World RC 48557
edited by Lewis H. Lapham
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Selections from letters, memoirs, reports, and a few imaginary portrayals, presenting first-person descriptions of human tragedies. Illustrates the impact of disasters on society, recounts instances of extreme brutality inflicted on groups and communities, explores the capacity for regeneration, and cites examples of people's responses to doomsday scenarios. 1997.

Front Row at the White House: My Life and Times RC 48559
by Helen Thomas
read by Pam Ward
4 cassettes
White House journalist for more than

five decades chronicles her work covering all of the presidents since John F. Kennedy. Shares personal reminiscences of the U.S. leaders as well as of the first ladies. Bestseller 1999.

To Begin Again: The Journey toward Comfort, Strength, and Faith in Difficult Times RC 48561
by Naomi Levy
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Rabbi offers suggestions on how to regain one's faith after a crisis. Uses examples from her congregation to illustrate how prayers and meditation can sustain one through trouble. Explains the importance of rituals and means of getting started on a new life. 1998.

Bob Hope: The Road Well-Traveled RC 48566
by Lawrence J. Quirk
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Traces Bob Hope's life from his youth in England to his career as a vaudevillian, and his rise to fame as a Broadway musical celebrity, radio comedian, Hollywood star, and friend to American servicemen around the globe. Discusses his association with entertainment personalities, including Jack Benny, Dorothy Lamour, and Bing Crosby. 1998.

Stuttering RC 48569
by C. Woodruff Starkweather and Janet Givens-Ackerman
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Summarizes theories, evaluations, and treatments available for people who stutter. Offers guidelines for professionals and patients and alternatives to speech therapy, including self-help groups and drugs. Examines the practice of behavior modification, the role of spirituality, and differences between children and adults who stutter. 1997.

The Leviathan RC 48622
by Thomas Hobbes
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
An English philosopher discusses the idea of absolute government that is embedded in a contract between the citizens and a sovereign authority. Examines human passion and its effect on reason and the need to restrain emotions. Originally written in 1651. 1988.

The Music of Light: The Extraordinary Story of Hikari and Kenzaburo Oe RC 48623
by Lindsley Cameron
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Biography of the Japanese classical music composer Hikari Oe and his devoted father, Kenzaburo Oe, winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature. Discusses Hikari's physical disabilities and musical gifts and his close relationship with the father who began writing to give his son a voice. 1998.

Yankee Doodle Days: Exploring the American Revolution RC 48625
by Lincoln Diamant
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Explores acts of heroism among ordinary soldiers in the American Revolution using diaries and first-person accounts. Discusses the fighting role of African Americans. Recalls the Wappinger Native American volunteers, courageous women like Molly Pitcher, and spies, including Aaron Burr's wife. Also recounts instances of betrayal and

obscure footnotes of the war effort. 1996.

Gore: A Political Life RC 48630
by Bob Zelnick
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
Biography of Al Gore Jr., from his childhood in Tennessee and Washington, D.C., to his position as vice president. Traces Gore's succession to his father's political prominence, his views on important issues, and his role as a family man. Criticizes him for fund-raising techniques and hypocrisy when donations are involved. 1999.

Closed Chambers: The First Eyewitness Account of the Epic Struggles inside the Supreme Court RC 48638
by Edward Lazarus
read by Robert Sams
5 cassettes
The author, a Supreme Court law clerk to Justice Harry Blackmun in 1988–89, recounts the methods and procedures the justices use in arriving at a decision. Now a federal prosecutor, Lazarus contends that politics has taken the place of debate and compromise. Analyzes court cases to illustrate his concerns. 1998.

All the Laws but One: Civil Liberties in Wartime RC 48639
by William H. Rehnquist
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Chief justice of the Supreme Court expostulates on how civil liberties are curbed during times of war. Describes the inherent conflict between citizens' freedoms and military necessities, concentrating primarily on the Civil War era. Also discusses World War I espionage cases and the World War II internment of Japanese Americans. 1998.

The Chemotherapy and Radiation Therapy Survival Guide RC 48641
by Judith McKay and Nancee Hirano
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Explains what chemotherapy and radiation are, how they work, and what their effects are. Gives suggestions for before, after, and during treatment covering both the physical and emotional elements of medical therapy. Includes relaxation and stress-reduction exercises. 1998.

Lady's Choice: Ethel Waxham's Journals and Letters, 1905–1910 RC 48646
edited by Barbara Love and Frances Love Froidevaux
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes
A chronological record of a twenty-three-year old college graduate's pursuit of a teaching career while being courted by a thirty-five-year old Wyoming rancher. Compiled from diaries, correspondence, and poems. Material was used in the PBS series "The West." 1993.

Nathan Boone and the American Frontier RC 48647
by R. Douglas Hurt
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Biography of Daniel Boone's youngest son, who followed in his father's footsteps as a frontiersman. Nathan worked as trapper and hunter, a surveyor, and a soldier, eventually settling in Missouri with a family of fourteen children. He was instrumental in the removal of tribes to the Indian Territory that enabled settlement of the plains by pioneers. 1998.

Desert Flower: The Extraordinary Journey of a Desert Nomad RC 48649
by Waris Dirie and Cathleen Miller
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
Autobiography of a Somali woman's journey from nomadic tribal life to a career as a fashion model in London and to the post of special ambassador at the United Nations. Dirie recounts her personal experience with female genital mutilation that began with circumcision at age five. Some strong language. 1998.

Waiting for Fidel RC 48658
by Christopher Hunt
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
An American writer recounts his visit to Cuba, where capricious inquiries about the aging Fidel Castro lead him on an unlikely course through the island. His examination of the nation's state of affairs is a depiction of decay, hunger, prostitution, and overcrowded conditions. Yet his reflections show the generosity of the people. 1998.

Straight Talk about Teenage Suicide RC 48666
by Bernard Frankel and Rachel Kranz
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
Explores the "rising epidemic" of teenage suicide from social, family, and personal perspectives. Discusses circumstances and motives that incline young people to consider ending their lives. Offers advice for getting help. For junior and senior high readers. 1994.

Conversations about Cancer: A Patient's Guide to Informed Decision Making RC 48697
by Michael Auerbach
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
An oncologist describes the disease and its treatments. Stresses communication between patient and physician and the importance of exploring all possible options. Advocates empowering people to discuss their illness knowledgeably. Explores special problems of dealing with terminal conditions. 1997.

The Trees in My Forest RC 48702
by Bernd Heinrich
read by Michael Scherer
1 cassette
In 1977 the author purchased 300 acres of recently cutover woodlands in Maine. His "biography" of that land shows how he went about restoring its ecological balance. As caretaker, owner, scientist, and teacher, Heinrich muses on the relationships of the trees, plants, animals, and natural forces at work within the forest. 1997.

Seductive Poison: A Jonestown Survivor's Story of Life and Death in the Peoples Temple RC 48730
by Deborah Layton
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
The author recalls how as a young woman in 1978, she was living with her mother, brother, and hundreds of other American followers of the reverend Jim Jones in Guyana. She describes their wretched lifestyle and her decision to escape, just months before Jonestown residents were ordered to commit mass suicide. Some strong language. 1998.

Comrades: Brothers, Fathers, Heroes, Sons, Pals RC 48827
by Stephen E. Ambrose
read by Arnie Warren
1 cassette
Historian investigates male friendships; includes ties between members of his own family. Discusses famous relationships between Lewis and Clark, General Eisenhower and General Patton, Crazy Horse and He Dog, and others. Also studies interactions and sentiments among veterans from one company of soldiers. Bestseller 1999.

A Lady's Life in the Rocky Mountains RC 48842
by Isabella L. Bird
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
An intrepid traveler's account of her sojourn in Colorado in 1873, as she was returning to England from Hawaii. Journeying alone, without a gun, Miss Bird describes the American West, mining towns, isolated cabins, and the people she encountered—especially the desperado "Mountain Jim" Nugent. Originally published in 1879. 1960.

The Beginner's Guide to Art RC 48873
edited by Brigitte Govignon
read by Gordon Gould
3 cassettes
Designed to help the reader understand and appreciate art. Covers developments in architecture, sculpture, and painting from 30,000 B.C. to 1995. Includes brief biographies of major figures in the evolution of Western forms of expression. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1998.

The Glory of Their Times: The Story of the Early Days of Baseball Told by the Men Who Played It RC 48889
by Lawrence S. Ritter
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes (Reissue)
The history of baseball in the early 1900s as recorded in first-person accounts by twenty-six major league players. Contains the complete text of the 1966 edition plus four later interviews. 1984.

A Kind of Grace: The Autobiography of the World's Greatest Female Athlete RC 48895
by Jackie Joyner-Kersee
read by Robin Miles
2 cassettes
Heptathlon champion recalls her poor childhood with a loving family in Illinois, her years playing basketball at UCLA, and her career in track and field that led to an Olympic medal in 1996. She describes overcoming numerous injuries and health problems. For senior high and older readers. 1997.

My Secret Mother: Lorna Moon RC 48910
by Richard de Mille
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Family history by Cecil B. de Mille's adopted son, Richard. After he discovered that his paternal uncle is his real father and that his birth mother is the novelist Lorna Moon, he traced both families to their roots in Scotland, Holland, and Canada, where he met his half-siblings. 1998.

Greenhouse: The Two-Hundred-Year Story of Global Warming RC 48918
by Gale E. Christianson
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Chronicles the scientific theories and development of global warming. Discusses entrepreneurs from the Industrial Revolution era whose inventions accelerated the process. Studies the causes and consequences of the greenhouse effect and summarizes the 1997 United Nations Conference on Climate Change in Kyoto. 1999.

Clash of Titans: World War II at Sea RC 48920
by Walter J. Boyne
read by Jake Williams
4 cassettes
Recounts famous naval battles of World War II and explains how sea power changed the course of the conflict. Boyne describes relationships between land and sea operations, discusses strategies and tactics, and assesses strengths and weaknesses of each side. 1995.

Crimes of the Century: From Leopold and Loeb to O.J. Simpson RC 48924
by Gilbert Geis and Leigh B. Bienen
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Discusses five of the most publicized trials of the twentieth century: Leopold and Loeb, the Scottsboro affair, the Lindbergh baby kidnapping, the Alger Hiss spy case, and the O.J. Simpson murder trial. Examines sensational legal dramas within the social and political climate of the times. 1998.

Warriors Who Ride the Wind RC 48965
by William F.X. Band
read by Randy Atcher
3 cassettes
World War II fighter pilot recounts his adventures as a member of General Chennault's Flying Tigers. Band provides a brief account of his childhood, then regales the reader with stories of the Flying Tigers' assistance to the Chinese army in battles with the Japanese beginning in December 1941. 1993.

Breakout: The Chosin Reservoir Campaign, Korea 1950 RC 48994
by Martin Russ
read by Rick Rohan
3 cassettes
First-person accounts of what some contemporaries called "one of the greatest retreats in the course of military history." Describes how the First Marine Division, surrounded by the North Korean army in subzero temperatures, fought its way out with all its dead and wounded. 1999.

Stephen Sondheim: A Life RC 48997
by Meryle Secrest
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
Biography of the musical theater composer based on interviews with Sondheim, his family, friends, and coworkers. Interweaves facts about his personal background with information about his artistic career spanning more than forty years of Broadway shows. Discusses his experiences with Oscar Hammerstein, Leonard Bernstein, and Harold Prince, among others. 1998.

Hannibal Crosses the Alps: The Enigma Re-Examined RC 49001
by John Prevas
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Political and military history of the Second Punic War that began when Hannibal, a Carthaginian, left Spain to invade Italy in 218 B.C. Traces his route through the treacherous French Alps with an army of mercenaries and recalls the engineering feats that allowed them to transport elephants across rivers and mountains. 1998.

Great Feuds in Science: Ten of the Liveliest Disputes Ever RC 49011
by Hal Hellman
read by Rick Foucheux
2 cassettes
Recounts ten major disputes that roiled the world of intellectual research since the seventeenth century. Discusses Galileo's censure by the Catholic Church for his theories of astronomy, the furor over Darwin's proposals concerning evolution, and other historic quarrels about the nature of the universe. 1998.

Three Month Fever: The Andrew Cunanan Story RC 49017
by Gary Indiana
read by Jeff Baker
2 cassettes
In 1997, twenty-eight-year-old Andrew Cunanan killed four men, including designer Gianni Versace, before committing suicide. Using information from police and FBI reports, the author describes the killing spree and imagines what the young homosexual Cunanan was doing and thinking during that time. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

The GI Offensive in Europe: The Triumph of American Infantry Divisions, 1941–1945 RC 49019
by Peter R. Mansoor
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Army lieutenant colonel analyzes the combat effectiveness of the U. S. general infantry in the European front during World War II. Posits that the Allies won the war through the endurance of its soldiers rather than through the sheer preponderance of its equipment. 1999.

The History of Henry the Fourth, Part 1 RC 49020
by William Shakespeare
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
First published in 1598. Depicts the early years of the reign of England's Henry IV. The Earl of Northumberland's son, Hotspur, becomes Henry's opponent. Eventually Henry's son, Prince Hal, leaves the merrymaker Falstaff to join the battle at Shrewsbury against Hotspur. Annotated version with historical background and essay on literary perspective. 1994.

Vermont River RC 49024
by W.D. Wetherell
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette (Reissue)
Novelist and short story writer describes his enjoyment of a beloved, unnamed Vermont river where he goes to fly-fish for trout. He relates his adventures, sometimes humorous, over the course of a year and contemplates the insights he gained beside the water. Prequel to *Upland Stream: . . . (RC 49025)*. 1984.

Dark Continent: Europe's Twentieth Century RC 49031
by Mark Mazower
read by Ralph Lowenstein
4 cassettes
A British professor examines the century-long struggle for dominance between liberal democracy, communism, and fascism. His chronological account discusses events and struggles within Europe from the onset of the First World War to the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1989. 1998.

The Life of Thomas More RC 49033
by Peter Ackroyd
read by George Holmes
4 cassettes
Portrait of the renowned jurist, writer, and Catholic saint who was executed for refusing to acknowledge the spiritual authority of King Henry VIII. Depicts More's London childhood, his religious and intellectual formation, his ascendant political career, his political fall from grace, and his martyrdom. 1998.

Aaron Copland: The Life and Work of an Uncommon Man RC 49034
by Howard Pollack
read by Gordon Gould
5 cassettes
Biography of the twentieth-century American composer by a professor of music. Portrays a Jewish, discreetly homosexual New Yorker, whose popularity and fame grew in the 1940s, 1950s, and 1960s with his successful ballets, film scores, and symphonic works. Discusses his musical versatility and high standards of craftsmanship. 1999.

Over My Head: A Doctor's Own Story of Head Injury from the Inside Looking Out RC 49060
by Claudia L. Osborn
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Dr. Claudia Osborn recounts her life after sustaining a severe head injury while bicycling in 1988. Describes her neurological difficulties, her rehabilitation, her coping strategies, and her starting over as a different person. Includes a list of head injury resources. 1998.

Melanoma: Prevention, Detection, and Treatment RC 49073
by Catherine M. Poole
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
Health writer and melanoma survivor Poole, assisted by melanoma expert Dr. Dupont Guerry, explains skin cancer and identifies the people most susceptible to it. She describes cancerous moles and discusses how they are diagnosed and treated. 1998.

Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance: An Inquiry into Values RC 49089
by Robert M. Pirsig
read by Rick Rohan
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Recounts a man's cross-country motorcycle trip with his eleven-year-old son and his philosophic digressions on sanity and on living an authentic life. This 1999 twenty-fifth anniversary edition contains a new introduction by the author and his afterword to the tenth edition. 1974.

Careers for Sports Nuts and Other Athletic Types RC 49092
by William Ray Heitzmann
read by Rick Foucheux
1 cassette
Describes careers in the sports fields for those who are not professional athletes but love the thrill of the game. Includes the roles of coaches and managers, officials and communicators, medical personnel, and others involved before the team even starts to play. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1997.

Jewel: Pieces of a Dream RC 49095
by Kristen Kemp
read by Michael Scherer
1 cassette
Biography of songwriter-singer Jewel, who grew up in Alaska with no running water, electricity, or heat. Describes her early singing career, her struggles with dyslexia, and her parents' divorce. Jewel's determination to succeed led her to a famous boarding school for the arts and then to California. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Acupuncture: Everything You Ever Wanted to Know RC 49096
by Gary F. Fleischman
read by Tim Fullerton
1 cassette
Board-certified acupuncturist and medical doctor discusses the use of his specialty and other traditional Chinese healing practices. In a question-and-answer format he explains such topics as balancing yin and yang, the energy known as qi, and the role of diet in overall well-being. 1998.

John Glenn: A Memoir RC 49106
by John Glenn
read by Randy Atcher
3 cassettes
The first American to orbit the earth, who in 1998 became the oldest man in space at seventy-seven, discusses his career as an astronaut and his lengthy service in the marines and the U.S. Senate. He recounts growing up in Ohio, marrying his childhood friend, and raising a family. Bestseller 1999.

Clash of Chariots: The Great Tank Battles RC 49123
by Tom Donnelly and Sean Naylor
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
Describes the development, tactics, and operations of major tank battles beginning with their first use in World War I in 1917 to Desert Storm in 1991. Includes Germany's six-week blitzkrieg of France in 1940, Rommel's northern Africa conflicts, and the Sinai Desert victories of Israel. 1996.

Sweet Invisible Body: Reflections on a Life with Diabetes RC 49131
by Lisa Roney
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
Now a graduate student, the author describes her life from the age of twelve when she was diagnosed with diabetes. She details the frustrations revolving around food, insulin shots, and being chronically ill while appearing well to the outside world. Some strong language. 1999.

Home Business, Big Business: The Definitive Guide to Starting and Operating On-Line and Traditional Home-Based Ventures RC 49133
by Mel Cook
read by John Richardson
2 cassettes
Using the success stories of a variety of entrepreneurs such as Michael Dell of Dell Computer Corporation and Lillian Vernon, whose mail order company brings in hundreds of millions, this revised edition gives advice on aspects such as choosing a business, setting up a home office, and using cybermarketing. 1998.

Protecting the Gift: Keeping Children and Teenagers Safe (and Parents Sane) RC 49140
by Gavin De Becker
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
An expert on predicting violent behavior —author of *The Gift of Fear (RC 44931)* —discusses what parents can do to ensure their children do not fall victim to dangerous people at school, in day care, in public, and even in family settings and friendships. 1999.

Retire and Thrive: Remarkable People Share Their Creative, Productive, and Profitable Retirement Strategies RC 49142
by Robert K. Otterbourg
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Retired early from public relations and now a writer, the author uses his and others' stories to illustrate various options available to those of retirement age. Topics include going back to school, starting a new career, starting hobbies, volunteering, having enough money, and escaping from retirement altogether. 1999.

The Man Who Tried to Save the World: The Dangerous Life and Mysterious Disappearance of Fred Cuny RC 49144
by Scott Anderson
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Biography of a disaster relief expert who vanished in Chechnya in 1995. Examines the Texan's twenty-five-year career assisting refugees of natural disasters and civil wars. Second half of book focuses on the war in Chechnya, Cuny's last days there, and the intensive multinational search for him. 1999.

The Hindenburg RC 49148
by Michael Macdonald Mooney
read by Andy Chappell
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Presents a history of the Zeppelin airships, their voyages to and from Germany, and a detailed account of the last flight of the *Hindenburg*. Mooney writes of the passengers on that fatal flight and of the Luftwaffe officers and crew who were unable to prevent the explosion, perhaps the result of sabotage. 1972.

The Color of Truth: McGeorge Bundy and William Bundy; Brothers in Arms, a Biography RC 49155
by Kai Bird
read by Butch Hoover
4 cassettes
Explains the Bundy brothers' roles in pushing the United States into war in Vietnam, their dismissal of skeptics when things went wrong, and their silence after the end of the war. 1998.

Submarines under Ice: The U.S. Navy's Polar Operations RC 49157
by Marion D. Williams
read by Randy Atcher
2 cassettes
An account of early polar submarine voyages, from Sir Hubert Wilkins's 1931 expedition up to the transpolar passage of USS *Nautilus* in 1958 and the surfacing of USS *Skate* at the North Pole in 1962. Draws on official documents and personal interviews in describing the cruises. 1998.

A Season in Hell: A Memoir RC 49158
by Marilyn French
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Feminist writer known for *The Women's Room (RC 11124)* writes of battling esophageal cancer from diagnosis through treatment, coma, and unexpected recovery. Includes discussion of her career and friendships during that time. 1998.

Everything You Need to Know When Someone You Know Has Been Killed RC 49164
by Jay Schleifer
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Discusses death, especially the violent death of a young person, and the process of grieving. Offers suggestions on how to mourn as well as how to help others handle their emotions. For senior high readers. 1998.

Against the Tide: The Battle for America's Beaches RC 49167
by Cornelia Dean
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
The *New York Times* science editor explores the history, science, and dire future of beach erosion, primarily on the east coast, where storms and hurricanes threaten (mostly private) property. Discusses the high cost and eventual failure of man-made barriers and suggests alternatives. 1999.

The Play Goes On: A Memoir RC 49177
by Neil Simon
read by Lewis Grenville
3 cassettes
Begins where *Rewrites: A Memoir (RC 43297)* concluded in the days following his wife Joan's funeral in 1973. Covers the playwright's subsequent marriages to Marsha Mason and Diane Lander, and his relationships with his daughters. Discusses Simon's award-winning plays and books of this period. Bestseller 1999.

. . . And Never Let Her Go: Thomas Capano, the Deadly Seducer RC 49178
by Ann Rule
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes
Describes the 1996 disappearance of Anne Marie Fahey, the thirty-year-old scheduling secretary for the governor of Delaware. When her former married lover, attorney Thomas Capano, was accused of murdering her and disposing of the body, he tried to blame his other longtime mistress. Details the two relationships and the trial. Bestseller 1999.

Anglomania: A European Love Affair RC 49183
by Ian Buruma
read by Steven Crossley
3 cassettes
The author, half Dutch and half British, interweaves his personal family history into his examination of England's place in Europe's unification. Beginning with

the eighteenth century, Buruma reviews England's history in light of changing European favor. He also surveys the country's ability to survive in the union. 1998.

Serpico RC 49190
by Peter Maas
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The suspense-filled biography of Frank Serpico, the New York City plainclothesman whose undercover work and testimony on police corruption triggered the formation of the New York Knapp Commission. Strong language. 1973.

The Seamstress: A Memoir of Survival RC 49191
by Sara Tuvel Bernstein
read by Gabriella Cavallero
3 cassettes
Sara (Seren) Tuvel was born into a large family in rural Romania in 1918. She recounts her constant struggle against anti-Semitism from an early age, her dressmaking talent that stood her in good stead for most of her life, her time spent in a concentration camp, her escape, and her immigration to America. 1997.

The Sword and the Shield: The Mitrokhin Archive and the Secret History of the KGB RC 49240
by Christopher Andrew and Vasili Mitrokhin
read by Ken Kliban
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Based on Mitrokhin's twelve-year compilation of smuggled notes on the foreign operations of the KGB. Details the KGB's covert operations in Great Britain and the United States, revealing their extensive spy network and their disinformation efforts aimed at discrediting public figures like Martin Luther King Jr. Bestseller 1999.

Hitler's Pope: The Secret History of Pius XII RC 49241
by John Cornwell
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
Catholic journalist argues that Eugenio Pacelli, Pope Pius XII, bears personal responsibility for the massacre of millions of Jews because of his public failure to condemn Hitler's actions. Cornwell describes how he gained access to archival papers in the Vatican and other European countries, expecting to vindicate the canonization of Pius XII. Bestseller 1999.

The Challenges of Lupus: Insights and Hope RC 49242
compiled by Henrietta Aladjem
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Doctors and patients (including the book's compiler, whose lupus has long been in remission) discuss various aspects of the autoimmune disease that often affects the skin, blood, and joints. Describes how, in about half the cases, the kidneys are also impaired. 1999.

The New New Thing: A Silicon Valley Story RC 49256
by Michael Lewis
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Examines the shift in the focus of U.S. economic culture from Wall Street to Silicon Valley in the 1990s. Recalls innovations in computer research and development that centered around billionaire entrepreneur Jim Clark, who founded Silicon Graphics, Netscape, and, in late 1999, Healtheon. Also discusses Clark's computerized sailboat,

Hyperion. Bestseller 2000.

A Man Named Dave: A Story of Triumph and Forgiveness RC 49257
by Dave Pelzer
read by David Elias
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *A Child Called It (RC 45004)* and *The Lost Boy (RC 46336)*, the author joins the air force and starts a family, while still suffering from the effects of his past abuse. His relationships with his son and second wife help Dave heal. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1999.

A Sense of Where You Are: A Profile of Bill Bradley at Princeton RC 49261
by John McPhee
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette (Reissue)
This updated third edition of the 1965 biography and character study of the then-Princeton basketball player describes Bradley's family and school background in Missouri. Analyzes his playing technique and his decision regarding a professional basketball career or a Rhodes scholarship. Includes brief 1999 addenda about the politician. 1999.

A Republic, Not an Empire: Reclaiming America's Destiny RC 49264
by Patrick J. Buchanan
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
Political conservative provides an overview of America's foreign policy from George Washington through the 1990s and advocates a strategy of "enlightened nationalism" with limited U.S. commitments abroad. Contends that the United States will disintegrate unless it becomes politically, militarily, and economically independent. Companion to *The Great Betrayal (RC 49265)*. 1999.

Life in the Treetops: Adventures of a Woman in Field Biology RC 49268
by Margaret D. Lowman
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
A doctor of herbivory in rain-forest canopies describes the projects she has worked on and the unusual methods used to access the treetops, such as suspension walkways and inflatable canopy sleds. She also discusses being a woman in science and the effect her career has had on her personal life. 1999.

Don't Sweat the Small Stuff in Love: Simple Ways to Nurture and Strengthen Your Relationships While Avoiding the Habits That Break Down Your Loving Connection RC 49280
by Richard Carlson and
Kristine Carlson
read by Jeff Baker
2 cassettes
Married fourteen years, the authors present one hundred essays designed to improve relationships between partners. Topics include being pals, letting go of pet peeves, and being willing to say "I'm sorry." Bestseller 1999.

The Carbohydrate Addict's Lifespan Program: A Personalized Plan for Becoming Slim, Fit, and Healthy in Your 40s, 50s, 60s, and Beyond RC 49281
by Richard F. Heller and
Rachael F. Heller
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
The authors of *The Carbohydrate Addict's Diet (RC 37248)* now explain how those over forty can create a lifestyle program using a simple nutritional plan. Explains basic diet; includes menus and

recipes (including vegetarian meals) for high-protein and fiber-rich breakfasts and lunches, and "well-balanced feasts" for dinner. Bestseller 1997.

The Way We Lived Then: Recollections of a Well-Known Name Dropper RC 49283
by Dominick Dunne
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Memoirs and anecdotes from the twenty-four years Dunne lived in Hollywood hobnobbing with actors, producers, and directors until he succumbed to drugs and alcohol. Bestseller 1999.

Forty Acres and No Mule RC 49288
by Janice Holt Giles
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The author recalls how she met her future husband in 1943 and they moved to his family home in Adair County, Kentucky, after the war. They worked on the hardscrabble farm to eke out a living while she struggled to understand and conform to the customs and culture of Appalachia. 1951.

Making Loss Matter: Creating Meaning in Difficult Times RC 49305
by David Wolpe
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
Explores how to use inevitable losses—death of a loved one, loss of the first home or youthful dreams—to enrich one's emotional life. The author draws lessons from research, from the Bible and literature, and from his personal experiences as teacher, father, husband, and rabbi. Bestseller 1999.

Mankind, Have a Nice Day! A Tale of Blood and Sweatsocks RC 49315
by Mick Foley
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
The author, who wrestles under the names of Cactus Jack, Dude Love, and Mankind, discusses his career and personal life. Describes his extensive injuries, including a partially amputated ear and blood shed on five continents. In 1998 Foley briefly held the World Wrestling Federation championship. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 1999.

The Miracle of Language RC 49416
by Richard Lederer
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
A celebration of words in the English language. Explores vocabulary contributions from productive literary artists such as Shakespeare, Lewis Carroll, Mark Twain, and George Orwell. Encourages the art of communication. 1991.

Mama Poc: An Ecologist's Account of the Extinction of a Species RC 49417
by Anne LaBastille
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
An American wildlife expert recounts her adventures in Guatemala as she documents the decline of the giant grebe, a flightless bird called poc in the Mayan language of the region. Although she makes valiant efforts to save the giant grebe population, natural disasters and pollution of the habitat take a steady toll. 1990.

Note Found in a Bottle: My Life as a Drinker RC 49446
by Susan Cheever
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Memoir of an alcoholic. Recounts the seductive allure in childhood of observing her parents' cocktail rituals. Drinking becomes such a fundamental part of her existence that she never connects it with her problems—at school, with men, or with her marriages. Then in 1991, she chooses sobriety. 1999.

Green Hills of Africa RC 49481
by Ernest Hemingway
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Account of an African big-game-hunting expedition in 1933 that included Hemingway and his wife, Pauline. Describes their adventures on the Serengeti Plain near Mount Kilimanjaro. 1935.

Who Moved My Cheese? An A-Mazing Way to Deal with Change in Your Work and in Your Life RC 49513
by Spencer Johnson
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Dr. Johnson, coauthor of *The One Minute Manager (RC 18672)*, presents a parable about two mice and two tiny people searching through a maze for cheese. Their behaviors illustrate how different personality types react to change. The author explains why we all should embrace having our cheese moved. Bestseller 1998.

Cassettes Fiction

The Scarlet Pimpernel RC 47449
by Baroness Orczy
read by Lindsay Ellison
2 cassettes
Europe, 1792. With the republican mob in frenzy, French aristocrats are being guillotined indiscriminately. A group of British adventurers, led by the mysterious "Scarlet Pimpernel," are spiriting innocent victims out of Paris. French agent Chauvelin arrives in England to discover the leader's true identity and enlists the help of a clever French beauty married to the foppish Sir Percy Blakeney. For senior high and older readers. 1905.

The Return of the King: Being the Third Part of the Lord of the Rings RC 47488
by J.R.R. Tolkien
read by David Palmer
4 cassettes (Reissue)
In this sequel to *The Two Towers (RC 47487)*, Frodo and Sam bear the Ring to Mount Doom. The War of the Rings, fought between the forces for good and the Dark Lord of evil, is ended. 1954.

Tomorrow's Tide RC 47648
by Malcolm Macdonald
read by Vanessa Maroney
3 cassettes
Cornwall, 1910. Fourteen-year-old Jennifer Moore finds an abandoned baby in a field, who, despite her desire to keep him, is sent to an orphanage. A few years later, she falls in love with a young man, Barry Moore. Barry joins the service when World War I begins while Jennifer becomes a nurse and later an actress. Eventually, the mystery of the baby binds them together. 1996.

A Gracious Plenty RC 47863
by Sheri Reynolds
read by Cyn Delafield
2 cassettes
Finch Nobles, disfigured by burns when she was a child, tends the local graveyard. She communicates with the dead, who include a beauty queen, a crying baby, a homeless man, and her parents. Eventually she is able to let some of the townspeople into her lonely life. Some strong language. 1997.

Jane Eyre RC 47868
by Charlotte Brontë
read by Jennifer Mendenhall
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Nineteenth-century English novel about a plain and intelligent woman who becomes the governess at an estate, is caught up in the mysteries of the manor, and falls in love with the master of the house. 1847.

Sweet Baby RC 47876
by Sharon Sala
read by Nona Pipes
2 cassettes
At age six, Victoria Lancaster finds her house empty and no one at home, destroying her sense of security. Now a successful photojournalist, Tory finally feels safe with her live-in boyfriend. But while developing pictures for a story, the face of a man begins to haunt her. Some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Snowfall RC 47889
by K.M. Peyton
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Victorian England. Facing an arranged marriage to her vicar grandfather's curate, orphaned sixteen-year-old Charlotte jumps at the chance to visit the Swiss Alps with her brother's Oxford friends. Instead of returning home, Charlotte moves to an English estate and begins an adventurous life filled with romance. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1994.

The Caretaker RC 47902
by Thomas William Simpson
read by Susan McInerney
3 cassettes
Samantha Henderson's husband, Gunn, receives a mysterious job offer that includes a lot of perks—especially a house with a caretaker. Sam becomes involved with the servant, not realizing he's a threat to her family. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1998.

I Am Legend RC 47903
by Richard Matheson
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
The title story of this collection of horror stories is the basis for the movie *Night of the Living Dead.* Robert Neville is the last human being on Earth. Everyone else is now a vampire—and wants his blood. Some violence and some strong language. 1995.

Rover's Tales RC 48015
by Michael Z. Lewin
read by Ray Hagen
1 cassette
Short stories about Rover, a stray dog, who loves the freedom of the street. In his travels, Rover gives and receives advice from the other canines he encounters. He despises humans for their cruelty but learns how to use them. 1998.

See No Evil: A Marti MacAlister Mystery RC 48050
by Eleanor Taylor Bland
read by Samarra Mbenga
2 cassettes
Detective Marti MacAlister of the Lincoln Prairie, Illinois, police department, investigates the murder of a young woman found alongside Lake Michigan. A homeless man is also missing from the area. While working, Marti is unaware that an intruder is entering her house regularly and stalking her family. Some strong language. 1998.

The Year of Living Dangerously RC 48069
by Christopher J. Koch
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
A Western journalist and his Chinese-Australian cameraman are caught up in Indonesia's social and political turmoil in 1965. When one of the men becomes disenchanted with the Sukarno regime and commits a desperate act against the state, both reporters are targeted. Some strong language. 1978.

Three Wishes RC 48087
by Barbara Delinsky
read by MaryBeth Wise
2 cassettes
Bree Miller, hit by a jeep, recovers after a near-death experience. She remembers being granted three wishes. After the third comes to pass, however, she will die. Tom Gates, the reclusive author who was driving the car that struck Bree, helps her through recuperation. When they fall in love, Bree's wishes begin to come true. For senior high and older readers. 1997.

The Pastures of Heaven RC 48094
by John Steinbeck
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
Collection of interrelated short stories forming a novel about the residents of "Las Pasturas del Cielo." Originally written in 1932 and set in the late 1920s, these stories are connected to each other through the Munroe family and show the development of the valley and its residents. 1932.

The Seville Communion RC 48159
by Arturo Pérez-Reverte
read by Peter Gil
3 cassettes
After two mysterious deaths in Seville, a hacker penetrates the Vatican's electronic security, leaving a message on the pope's personal computer about a soon-to-be-demolished church in Seville that "kills to defend itself." Father Lorenzo Quart is dispatched to Spain to investigate and finds himself becoming personally involved. 1998.

Blessings RC 48172
by Sheneska Jackson
read by Ilona Dulaski
3 cassettes
Hair salon owner Pat Brown views the beauty parlor experience as a substitute for therapy. She and her staff share their problems: Pat is infertile, Zuma wants to be artificially inseminated, widowed Faye is struggling to raise her children, and Sandy neglects her two babies. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

The Complete Humorous Sketches and Tales of Mark Twain RC 48359
by Mark Twain
read by John Polk
6 cassettes
Compiles 136 comic pieces written between 1862 and 1904, making up a complete collection of Twain's humorous works. Includes thirty selections from his five books about travel. Arranged chronologically by year of first publication, with an introduction by the editor, Charles Neider. 1985.

Twin of Ice/Twin of Fire: Two Classic Novels RC 48378
by Jude Deveraux
read by Michele Schaeffer
4 cassettes
1892. Identical twins Houston and Blair Chandler live in the prosperous mining town of Chandler, Colorado. In *Twin of Ice*, Houston draws the attention of newly rich Kane Taggert, who is determined to marry a lady. In *Twin of Fire*, despite all odds, Blair becomes a doctor. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1985.

Singing into the Piano RC 48393
by Ted Mooney
read by Peter Gil
3 cassettes
Mexican presidential candidate Santiago Díaz is noticeably distracted during a political speech in New York by a publicly amorous couple, Edith and Andrew. Díaz introduces them to his wife, Mercedes, and invites them to Mexico, where they become involved in his volatile campaign. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Mistaken Identity RC 48401
by Lisa Scottoline
read by Barbara Pinolini
3 cassettes
Philadelphia attorney Bennie Rosato gets a huge surprise when she meets her newest client in jail. Alice Connolly, who claims she was framed by cops for the murder of her police detective boyfriend, also claims she is Bennie's identical twin, who was separated at birth. Strong language and some violence. 1999.

The Rival RC 48406
by Brenda Joyce
read by Lindsay Ellison
3 cassettes
In 1746 Garrick De Vere's brother disappears, and Garrick, blamed for his death, flees to Barbados. In 1760 Garrick returns to England for his betrothal to Susan Layton, a friend of Lady Olivia Grey and her blind daughter, both gifted with visions. Garrick and Olivia are haunted by a past. Some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Love Be Mine RC 48409
by Shirlee Busbee
read by Anne Hancock
3 cassettes
New Orleans, 1804. Young Creole beauty Micaela Dupree is wed to American businessman Hugh Lancaster after the two are caught in a compromising situation. But when Hugh's life is threatened and their family business is failing, the two become allies in an effort to survive. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

The Good Children RC 48428
by Kate Wilhelm
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
After their father dies and their mother

sinks into a deep depression, the four McNair children learn to fend for themselves. When they find their mother dead one day, they keep it a secret in order to stay together. For eight years they continue without her. Some strong language. 1998.

The Short History of a Prince RC 48456
by Jane Hamilton
read by Connie Crawford
3 cassettes
Walter McCloud is a teenager in the 1970s when his life changes: He realizes he will never be a renowned ballet dancer, he accepts his homosexuality, and his brother dies of cancer. Twenty years later Walter returns from New York City to his family's summer house in Wisconsin to reconcile with his past. 1998.

The Scarlet Letter: A Romance RC 48457
by Nathaniel Hawthorne
read by Ian Reed
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Symbolic novel set in Puritan New England traces the effects of sin on people's lives. Hester Prynne is forced to display her transgression openly in the form of a scarlet letter "A" for adultery. Her husband is obsessed with revenge, and her lover, a minister, conceals his guilt and shame. 1850.

Furnace RC 48468
by Muriel Gray
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
As truck driver Josh Spiller arrives in the town of Furnace, Virginia, he is horrified to watch a middle-aged woman push a baby stroller deliberately into the path of his truck tires. And he can't make anyone believe him. Violence and strong language. 1997.

Bouvard and Pecuchet RC 48470
by Gustave Flaubert
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes
Flaubert's last novel, unfinished at his death in 1880. A chance encounter between two forty-seven-year-old clerks who feel the bond of soul mates leads to enduring friendship. They retire in the country but are disappointed in their various projects and experiments. Includes a fragment of a companion volume, *The Dictionary of Received Ideas*. 1976.

The Springs of Affection: Stories of Dublin RC 48479
by Maeve Brennan
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
Twenty-one short stories about middle-class family circumstances in Dublin, by a former staff writer for the New Yorker. Seven are autobiographical, recalling her own family experiences. Six offer glimpses into the unhappy marriage of Hubert and Rose Derdon, while the last eight depict the home of Delia and Martin Bagot. 1997.

Final Seconds RC 48486
by John Lutz and David August
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
Police bomb squad sergeant Will Harper, retired after losing part of his hand, visits his former partner, who works security for a famous writer. When an explosion kills the friend and his employer, Harper teams up with ex-FBI profiler Harold Addleman to catch the person targeting celebrities, including

an English princess. Strong language and violence. 1998.

Birthright RC 48489
by Andrew Coburn
read by Michael Russoto
2 cassettes
Fictionalized account of the Lindbergh kidnapping in which the baby is raised by kidnapper Shell and his mentally unstable wife, Helen, and the police mistake the body of their recently deceased baby as Lindbergh's. Years later a dying Shell decides to tell his son the truth. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1997.

The Desert Crop RC 48491
by Catherine Cookson
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
1880s England. Young Daniel Stewart's life changes when his widowed father marries a distant Irish cousin, Moira Conelly. Over the years the cheerful Moira has many children while the father squanders their money. When his father dies, Daniel assumes the leadership of the family, falls in love with the wrong girl, and continues farming. 1997.

The Return of Little Big Man RC 48544
by Thomas Berger
read by Jack Fox
4 cassettes
In this sequel to *Little Big Man (RC 32463)*, Jack Crabb continues his supposed reminiscences of encounters with famous characters in the Old West including Wild Bill Hickok, Bat Masterson, Doc Holliday, Sitting Bull, and Annie Oakley. His escapades take him from Deadwood, Dakota, to Europe and back. Some strong language. 1999.

Bedford Square: A Charlotte and Thomas Pitt Mystery RC 48545
by Anne Perry
read by Terry Hayes Sales
3 cassettes
London, 1891. When a body is found on the doorstep of General Brandon Balantyne in Bedford Square, he denies any knowledge of the man. Yet one of Balantyne's snuff boxes is found on the body. With his wife Charlotte's help, Superintendent Thomas Pitt uncovers a web of blackmail targeting honorable and powerful men. 1999.

A Time of Omens: A Novel of the Westlands RC 48549
by Katharine Kerr
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
The quest begun in *A Time of Exile (RC 44485)* continues. Jill tries to understand an inscription in a ring belonging to Rhodry. And Rhodry, disguised as a member of the silver daggers, travels to Deverry to claim his throne. But a war looms on the horizon. Some violence and some strong language. 1992.

Son of the Morning RC 48552
by Linda Howard
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
Grace St. John is translating manuscripts involving the Knights Templar when her husband and brother are murdered. Grace flees and finds herself transported back to fourteenth-century Scotland, where she falls in love with Niall MacRobert, the guardian of a treasure. Explicit descriptions of sex, some strong language, and some violence. 1997.

Lamb in Love RC 48582
by Carrie Brown
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Norris Lamb, the postmaster of a small English village, falls in love for the first time on his fifty-fifth birthday with a woman he has known forever, forty-one-year-old spinster Vida Stephen. Vida is the gentle caretaker of a mentally disabled young man and has no idea who her secret admirer is. 1999.

Joining RC 48601
by Johanna Lindsey
read by Connie Crawford
2 cassettes
England, 1214. Milisant Crispin and Wulfric de Thorpe, betrothed for six years, do not seem to like each other any better now than they ever have. Both realize they must obey their fathers' wishes, so they finally agree to marry. King John, however, has reasons to object. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

The Odd Sea RC 48611
by Frederick Reiken
read by Dan Bloom
2 cassettes
When his older brother, Ethan, vanishes near their home, fourteen-year-old Philip sets out to probe the boy's mysterious disappearance. As he retraces Ethan's past, Philip uncovers his brother's secret life, including his love affair with a woman twice his age. 1998.

Pearl Cove RC 48619
by Elizabeth Lowell
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
When pearl farmer Len McGarry is killed, his young widow, Hannah, calls Len's half brother and silent partner, Archer Donovan. Archer fights his longtime attraction to Hannah while they search for missing pearls the murderer wanted. Sequel to *Jade Island (RC 47248)*. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

Pedro Páramo RC 48624
by Juan Rulfo
read by Peter Gil
1 cassette
When his mother dies, Juan Preciado sets off to find his father, Pedro Páramo. In the town of Comala, built on the tyranny of the Páramo family, Juan learns his father is dead. In fact, the town seems populated by tormented spirits of the deceased. Mexican author's classic surrealist novel, first published in 1955. 1994.

Prey Dancing: A Dr. Clare Burtonall Mystery RC 48631
by Jonathan Gash
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Different Women Dancing (RC 47186)*, cardiologist Clare Burtonall is looking for the partner of a patient who has just died of AIDS. She asks her lover, male prostitute Bonn, to assist with her sleuthing. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Starman Jones RC 48635
by Robert A. Heinlein
read by Michael Skinner
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Bored with his routine life on Earthport, Max Jones signs up to be an assistant chartsman on a star freighter. He finds the adventure he is seeking, but learns that danger is never far behind. For senior high and older readers. 1953.

Best of the West III: More Stories That Inspired Classic Western Films RC 48644
edited by Bill Pronzini and Martin H. Greenberg
read by Michael Skinner
2 cassettes
Nine western stories later made into movies. Includes "Massacre" by James Warner Bellah, starring Henry Fonda and John Wayne as cavalrymen at Little Big Horn. In Dorothy M. Johnson's "The Hanging Tree," Gary Cooper is Doctor Joe Frail, who falls in love with Elizabeth, played by Maria Schell. Violence. 1986.

The Baron in the Trees RC 48648
by Italo Calvino
read by Peter Gil
2 cassettes
In June 1767 in Italy, twelve-year-old Cosimo leaves the noontime dinner table and to spite his family climbs an oak tree in the garden, vowing never to come down. And he keeps his word. 1959.

Moonbeams and Magic RC 48651
by Janelle Taylor
read by Ilona Dulaski
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Starlight and Splendor (RC 41703)*, Starla and Dagan—unbeknownst to each other—are spies posing as space pirates in order to stop the theft of valuable moonbeams. They also fall in love. Some violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Flora's Suitcase RC 48654
by Dalia Rabinovich
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Flora Grossenberg reluctantly agrees to move from Cincinnati to Colombia, South America, with her new husband, David, and baby. They intend to join David's large Russian emigré clan, but the Grossenbergs' feuds soon overwhelm Flora, who demands her own house. Gradually she attempts to adapt to her new surroundings. 1998.

The Forever War RC 48659
by Joe Haldeman
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes (Reissue)
William Mandella is drafted after college to fight a war in outer space. William only ages months while earthlings age by decades. He finds civilization completely changed each time he returns from bloody combat. After 1,143 years, the war's end brings him home. Some strong language. Hugo and Nebula Awards. 1974.

The Witch Doctor: A Wizard in Rhyme, Book 3 RC 48661
by Christopher Stasheff
read by Erik Sandvold
4 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Oathbound Wizard (RC 44133)*, Matt Mantrell vanishes, leaving behind his precious scrap of parchment. His friend Saul Bremener examines the paper and another piece he also finds. Soon Saul is involved in a search that takes him into a world of magic and danger where he appears to be a wizard. 1994.

Soldier's Heart: A Novel of the Civil War RC 48672
by Gary Paulsen
read by Michael Kramer
1 cassette
When the war starts, fifteen-year-old Charley Goddard is eager to join up with the Minnesota Volunteers. The physical and mental agonies of combat

change his attitude. Some violence. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1998.

Gun Gentlemen RC 48686
by Max Brand
read by Dan Bloom
2 cassettes
Infamous gunfighter Lucky Bill is wrongly accused of a crime. He knows that bounty hunters will be after him, but Bill refuses to run. He only wants to clear his name. With the love of a good woman and a fair trial, he feels that he could succeed. Some violence. 1922.

The Everlasting Story of Nory RC 48699
by Nicholson Baker
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Eleanor Winslow's nine-year-old mind has much to contemplate, especially because her family has moved from America to England. Nory, as she is called, describes her new setting, the thoughts that are inspired by it, and her fervent wishes for a new best friend. 1998.

An Equal Music RC 48746
by Vikram Seth
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Violinist Michael Holme, age thirty-seven, is dedicated to his chamber quartet and teaching when he finds the lost love of his youth, pianist Julia McNicholl, now married and a mother. While renewing their relationship, they explore the changes of ten years apart, including Julia's growing deafness. 1999.

True at First Light RC 48757
by Ernest Hemingway
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Hemingway recounts his wife Mary's obsession with tracking down and killing a black-maned lion. He also writes of his devotion to Debba, an African woman he wants to take as a second wife. Hemingway's son Patrick edited this fictional memoir begun after Hemingway's last safari in Africa in the 1950s. Strong language. 1999.

With Friends like These RC 48761
by Nicholas Coleridge
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Kit Preston, a London magazine executive, is separated from his wife. He has romantic interests in Anna Grant, a journalist on his staff with an outstanding reputation as an interviewer. One of Anna's breaking stories is suddenly creating problems. Soon Anna is dead, and Kit is accused of murder. Strong language. 1997.

The Wilder Sisters RC 48764
by Jo-Ann Mapson
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
New Mexico. Recently widowed Rose Wilder Flynn, forty, bemoans her grown children's lifestyles and relationships but is secretly attracted to her friend and boss, veterinarian Austin Donavan. Meanwhile Rose's estranged sister, Lily, returns home and realizes she still has feelings for an old beau. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

The Mercy Rule: A Dismas Hardy Mystery RC 48766
by John Lescroart
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
Attorney Dismas Hardy from *13th Juror (RC 39668)* is now asked to help another black-sheep lawyer, Graham Russo.

Russo believes his father Sal's lethal dose of prescribed morphine was self-inflicted, but the cops don't agree, and Russo is their prime murder suspect. Some strong language and some violence. 1998.

The Last Lieutenant RC 48789
by John J. Gobbell
read by Randy Davidson
3 cassettes
Corregidor, 1942. Lieutenant Todd Ingram and his crew flee the island as the Japanese are approaching. Ingram races across treacherous Philippine waters to prevent a Nazi spy from alerting the Japanese to an Allied trap. Prequel to *A Code for Tomorrow (RC 48790)*. Some strong language and some violence. 1995.

The Damsel: The Bride Quest, Volume 2 RC 48797
by Claire Delacroix
read by Gabriella Cavallero
3 cassettes
Ireland, 1172. In this sequel to *The Princess (RC 48796)*, Burke Fitzgavin is seeking a bride now that Brianna is married to Luc Fitzgavin. Three years ago Alys of Kiltorren Castle spurned Burke's affection. Now he hopes to win her love, but a misunderstanding threatens their happiness. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

A Wizard in Peace: The Rogue Wizard, Book 4 RC 48803
by Christopher Stasheff
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
On their latest quest to bring justice to the oppressed, Magnus D'Armand (Gar) and Dirk Dulaine travel to a planet of which little is known. This time they are up against a stern Protector who has such power over his subjects that he seems to control their very thoughts. Sequel to *A Wizard in War (RC 48802)*. 1996.

Jade: The Wildflowers, Book 3 RC 48805
by V.C. Andrews
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
In this session with therapist Dr. Marlowe, Jade, a member of the OWP (Orphans with Parents), relates her story. She has become the contested trophy in a bitter divorce battle. Sequel to *Star (RC 48795)*. For senior high and older readers. Bestseller 1999.

Cat: The Wildflowers, Book 4 RC 48806
by V.C. Andrews
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
As the OWPs (Orphans with Parents) continue their sessions with Dr. Marlowe, Cat explains how she has been treated by her parents, her discovery that she is adopted, and why she has become so withdrawn from the outside world. Sequel to *Jade (RC 48805)*. Some descriptions of sex. For senior high and older readers. Bestseller 1999.

Bagombo Snuff Box: Uncollected Short Fiction RC 48839
by Kurt Vonnegut
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
Twenty-three short stories previously published in magazines in the 1940s and 1950s, collected here for the first time. In the title piece, Eddie Laird, age thirty-three, drops in to see his ex-wife eleven years after leaving her and tries his best to impress her, her second husband, and son. Bestseller 1999.

Cat in a Golden Garland: A Midnight Louie Mystery RC 48881
by Carole Nelson Douglas
read by J.P. Linton
3 cassettes
Midnight Louie and his human, Miss Temple Barr, are in New York, where Louie is auditioning for a role as spokesperson for a cat food producer. At a Christmas party given by the advertising company, one of the senior executives is murdered. Naturally, Louie leads the investigation. 1997.

Blind Descent RC 48883
by Nevada Barr
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Park Ranger Anna Pigeon combats her claustrophobia to rescue a friend and fellow ranger who is injured in a Carlsbad National Park cavern. After descending through dangerous crevices and tunnels, Anna learns that her friend has been murdered—probably by someone in the caving party. Some strong language and some violence. 1998.

Turn of the Century RC 48885
by Kurt Andersen
read by Jim Zeiger
5 cassettes
New York, 2000. George Mactier is a television producer trying to launch a new series. His wife, Elizabeth Zimbalist, manages a software company suffering from a deal gone bad. As they cope with fast-paced, high-profile jobs and three children, they get ensnared in a corporate hoax. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

Death Is Now My Neighbor: An Inspector Morse Novel RC 48888
by Colin Dexter
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Lonsdale College of Oxford will soon be seeking a new master, and there appear to be only two main contenders—Storrs and Cornford. (Actually it's their wives who have more ambition toward the job.) Meanwhile, Rachel James of Oxford is found murdered, and Inspector Morse and Sergeant Lewis begin an investigation that soon takes them to Lonsdale College. 1996.

Just as I Am RC 48891
by E. Lynn Harris
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
3 cassettes
In *Invisible Life (RC 38731)*, Ray and Nicole broke up because of his bisexuality, and now both are attempting to rebuild their lives. But they are thrown together again as their mutual friend Kyle struggles with the final stages of AIDS. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Caprice and Rondo: The House of Niccolò, Volume 7 RC 48897
by Dorothy Dunnett
read by Gordon Gould
5 cassettes
In this sequel to *To Lie with Lions (RC 45864)*, after ruining his family, Nicholas de Fleury, now a spy, travels incognito throughout Europe in 1474. His estranged wife is left to run the Banco di Niccolò. Nicholas searches for lost gold while working for diverse governments. Includes a summary of the preceding volumes. 1997.

The Only Good Lawyer: A John Francis Cuddy Mystery RC 48904
by Jeremiah Healy
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes
Boston private investigator John Cuddy assists in the defense of bigot Alan Spaeth, framed in the murder of his ex-wife's African American divorce attorney. Among the potential suspects are gang members that the lawyer had sent to prison, his many lovers, and his law partners. Violence and strong language. 1998.

Rebecca RC 48914
by Daphne du Maurier
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Rebecca, the glamorous mistress of a great English estate, died eight months before Maxim de Winter brought a young and frightened second wife to live there. Mystery, intrigue, and violence eventually reveal the circumstances surrounding Rebecca's death. 1938.

The Burglar in the Rye: A Bernie Rhodenbarr Mystery RC 48926
by Lawrence Block
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Bernie Rhodenbarr, burglar and bookseller, is hired by an ex-lover of a famous, reclusive author to steal back letters now in the possession of a literary agent. The only problem is that the agent is dead when Bernie arrives, and he can't resist stealing some rubies as he flees. Some strong language and some violence. 1999.

Irene at Large: Irene Adler Mystery RC 48927
by Carole Nelson Douglas
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
In 1889 amateur sleuth Irene Adler Norton and her secretary, Penelope Huxleigh, are approached by a man in eastern garb who warns them of danger to Dr. Watson, Sherlock Holmes's sidekick. It appears that the war in Afghanistan nine years earlier has current repercussions that could endanger the empire. 1992.

The Skull beneath the Skin RC 48933
by P.D. James
read by Mary Woods
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Private investigator Cordelia Gray is hired as a bodyguard for difficult actress Clarissa Lisle, who has been receiving death threats with quotes from long-dead dramatists. During a house party, Cordelia discovers the actress's mutilated body. Some violence. 1982.

Elephants Can Remember: A Hercule Poirot Mystery RC 48935
by Agatha Christie
read by Tom Martin
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Mrs. Oliver, an elderly writer of detective stories, and Hercule Poirot collaborate to find out what really happened to the parents of Mrs. Oliver's goddaughter. 1972.

Excalibur: A Novel of Arthur; Warlord Chronicles, Volume 3 RC 48938
by Bernard Cornwell
read by George Holmes
4 cassettes
Derfel continues the tale of Arthur's perseverance against the Saxons, while Merlin despairs that the ancient gods

are deserting Britain in its time of need. Final volume of the series; sequel to *Enemy of God (RC 46297)*. Violence. 1997.

Liberty Falling RC 48941
by Nevada Barr
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Park ranger Anna Pigeon is in New York to visit her critically ill sister, Molly, but becomes involved in the case of two suicides ("jumpers") at the Statue of Liberty on Liberty Island. Anna discovers that the deaths are related to a more sinister plot. Some violence and some strong language. 1999.

The Body in the Kelp: A Faith Fairchild Mystery RC 48944
by Katherine Hall Page
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
Faith Fairchild, her minister husband, Tom, and their baby are on vacation in Maine. At an estate auction, Faith buys a quilt that turns out to be a map to a long-sought family treasure. Three murders later, Faith does find something. Some violence. 1991.

Hard Currency RC 48945
by Stuart M. Kaminsky
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Inspector Porfiry Rostnikov and his deputy inspector, Elena Timofeyeva, have been sent to Cuba to look into a Russian engineer's arrest for the murder of a Cuban woman. Remaining in Russia, Inspector Emil Karpo investigates the murder of a young woman who was killed, apparently by a man she tried to rob. 1995.

The Tin Man RC 48960
by Dale Brown
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
Retired colonel Patrick McLanahan works as a civilian director for a high-tech company producing cutting-edge equipment for the military. He puts some of that technology to work when his brother, a rookie cop, is badly wounded in a police shoot-out with international terrorists. Strong language. 1998.

Blood Thirst: One Hundred Years of Vampire Fiction RC 48969
edited by Leonard Wolf
read by Jack Fox
4 cassettes
More than two dozen short stories and excerpts from novels concerning vampires, both ruthless and humorous. Includes authors such as Stephen King, Whitley Strieber, Anne Rice, and Woody Allen. In "Count Dracula," the monster's routine is disrupted by a solar eclipse. In "The Drifting Snow," the vampire's handprints are those of a young girl. 1997.

Love, Again RC 48974
by Doris Lessing
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Widowed sixty-five-year-old writer Sarah Durham unexpectedly experiences the sensations of falling in love while working on a theater production. Attracted to younger men in the group, Sarah enjoys the feelings of desire that she thought were gone at her age and examines what love means. 1995.

Blue Death: A Norah Mulcahaney Mystery RC 48976
by Lillian O'Donnell
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes
One after another, four NYPD officers are found dead of apparent suicides, but with no obvious motive. After the unexpected departure of her young son's nanny, single mother Lieutenant Norah Mulcahaney launches an investigation from her home. Some violence. 1998.

The Best-Kept Secret: A Milan Jacovich Mystery RC 48979
by Les Roberts
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Investigator Milan Jacovich repays a favor by investigating the case of a college student, Jason Crowell, who is accused of rape. Jacovich finds plenty of sexism and drugs on campus but suspects that Jason is being set up; the kid doesn't even like girls. Some strong language and some violence. 1999.

Zombie Lover RC 48980
by Piers Anthony
read by Sharon Murray
3 cassettes
Fifteen-year-old Breanna of the Black Wave has a talent to see in darkness, which she uses to explore Xanth. Unwittingly she draws the attention of Xeth, king of the zombies, who wants her to be his queen. Fleeing from him and the zombie pursuers leads Breanna on many adventures. 1998.

Standoff at Sunrise Creek: A Stuart Brannon Western RC 48981
by Stephen Bly
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes
When Stuart Brannon finally returns to his ranch, the Triple B, he finds it occupied by Earl Howland, representing the Casa Verde Land Corporation. But it's Earl's buddies Stuart has to fight to reclaim his home. Fortunately he receives some reinforcements of his own, including Harriet Reed. 1993.

Murder Has No Calories RC 48982
by Corinne Holt Sawyer
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
When a staff member of Dorothy McGraw's health resort is murdered, Dorothy fears the police won't solve the crime in time to save her business. She begs elderly amateur sleuths Angela Benbow and Caledonia Wingate to pose as guests and find the killer. 1994.

The Red River RC 48983
by Frederic Bean
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Elias McBee and Seth Booker leave the flatboats of the Mississippi to try their luck trapping along the Red River. They find plenty of wildlife but also warring Indian tribes. In time, despite the many hardships and fighting, they decide to stay and live with their native wives. Violence. 1996.

Acts of Malice: A Nina Reilly Novel RC 48988
by Perri O'Shaughnessy
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
When his brother dies while skiing with him, Jim Strong can tell the police don't

think it was an accident. He turns to Tahoe attorney Nina Reilly, who believes Jim is innocent even though others in his family (including his wife) don't. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1999.

Breach of Promise: A Nina Reilly Novel RC 48989
by Perri O'Shaughnessy
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
Lake Tahoe lawyer Nina Reilly is surprised to receive an invitation to a party for wealthy entrepreneur Mike Markov, given by his companion, Lindy. But an even bigger surprise awaits when Mike announces he is dumping Lindy. Nina risks all to handle the spurned woman's palimony suit. Some strong language. 1998.

Thunder Horse: A Gabriel Du Pré Mystery RC 48993
by Peter Bowen
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Métis Indian Du Pré investigates the murder of a snowmobiler discovered with a Tyrannosaurus Rex tooth. An earthquake also uncovers an ancient burial ground on land that Japanese have bought to turn into a resort in the Montana hills. Du Pré and other locals ponder the connections. Strong language and some violence. 1998.

The Devil's Carousel RC 48995
by Jeff Torrington
read by David Cutler
1 cassette
The assembly line workers at Scotland's Centaur Car Company are a varied lot. New employee Steve Laker is appalled at the working conditions. Wormsley leaves work not feeling well and dies on the way home, and Curly Brogan fakes his own death to get a few days off. Some strong language. 1996.

Portrait of a Man Unknown RC 48999
by Nathalie Sarraute
read by Michael Scherer
1 cassette
A neighbor explores an elderly father's relationship with his spinster daughter. An "anti-novel" by the French avant-garde writer, who uses unnamed characters. Preface by Jean-Paul Sartre. 1958.

The Trial RC 49000
by Franz Kafka
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes (Reissue)
On his thirtieth birthday, Josef K., a conscientious bank official, is arrested in his lodgings on unstated charges. He is constantly thwarted in his attempts to clarify his situation, even in court. A new translation by Breon Mitchell based on the restored 1914 text. 1998.

The New York Yanquis RC 49006
by Bill Granger
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
George Bremenhaven, owner of the New York Yankees, fires all of his expensive baseball players and imports Cuban professionals from Fidel Castro. The only American on the team is thirty-eight-year-old relief pitcher Ryan Shawn, who happens to speak Spanish. Shawn struggles to manage the team and keep the peace. Strong language. 1995.

As I Lay Dying RC 49008
by William Faulkner
read by Faith Potts
1 cassette (Reissue)
The Bundrens, poor whites in Mississip-

pi, face numerous obstacles as they trek across the countryside to deliver their mother's body for burial in her hometown. First published in 1930; this edition includes changes made by Noel Polk in 1985 based on the author's notes. 1930.

The Best American Mystery Stories, 1998 RC 49013
edited by Sue Grafton
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
Editor Grafton includes twenty crime stories by well-known authors Lawrence Block, Mary Higgins Clark, Jay McInerney, Donald E. Westlake, and others. In Stuart Kaminsky's "Find Miriam," a man searches for his missing wife. Peter Robinson depicts events in the lives of two elderly ladies who share a cottage. 1998.

Getting In RC 49014
by James Finney Boylan
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
An extended family piles into a Winnebago for a preadmission tour of New England colleges. Amid their fears of the college interviews, brothers Ben and Lefty continue their sibling rivalry, Chloë decides to cheat on Lefty, and Polo and Allison break up. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

The Disappearance RC 49015
by J.F. Freedman
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Former district attorney Luke Garrison returns to Santa Barbara to defend a man accused of murdering media mogul Doug Lancaster's fourteen-year-old daughter. The girl disappeared during a slumber party the year before. The defendant claims he is being framed. Some strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Rachel LeMoyne RC 49016
by Eileen Charbonneau
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
Rachel LeMoyne, part Choctaw and raised by Presbyterian missionaries, travels to Ireland to deliver corn during the great famine. There she meets millwright Darragh Ronan and takes him to America as her husband. Back home, additional problems force them to flee along the Oregon Trail. For senior high readers. 1998.

The Teutonic Knights RC 49021
by Henryk Sienkiewicz
read by Robert Blumenfeld
5 cassettes
In this epic by the 1905 Nobel Prize winner for literature, the united peoples of Poland and Lithuania fight against the oppression of the Teutonic Knights, a fifteenth-century Prussian religious and military order. The search for Zbyszko's wife, kidnapped by the Knights, inspires the nation to defend its land and families. 1993.

The Tuesday Cafe RC 49026
by Don Trembath
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Troubled fifteen-year-old Harper Winslow's preoccupied mother enrolls him in a night-school writing class. Harper is surprised to find acceptance among the disadvantaged adults there. With the help of a school counselor, he gains real-world insights about life. Prequel to *A Fly Named Alfred (RC 49027)*. For senior high readers. 1996.

Arrow of God RC 49032
by Chinua Achebe
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
2 cassettes
The chief priest of this African community is responsible for initiating the rituals that give structure to the peoples' lives. Conflict erupts as the clergyman attempts to maintain his own power and the authority of the deity in the face of the arrival of foreigners and growing disunity among the villagers. 1964.

The Face of Deception RC 49057
by Iris Johansen
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
When the man who murdered Eve Duncan's daughter was executed, Eve lost the chance to find her daughter's body. Now, as a forensic sculptor, she reconstructs faces to identify juvenile skulls. When a billionaire wants to hire her to work on a mysterious adult skull, she reluctantly agrees. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1998.

Somebody's Baby RC 49059
by Elaine Kagan
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
In 1959 Jenny Jaffe, a Jewish high school senior, falls in love with ex-con Will McDonald. When Jenny becomes pregnant, they decide to elope, but Will never shows up. Thirty-five years later, their daughter, who had been put up for adoption, reunites them. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Annie's Rainbow RC 49061
by Fern Michaels
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Annie Clark finds a cache from a bank robbery and keeps it to help her family and start a business. After becoming wealthy and falling in love, Annie anonymously repays the money. But years later a determined insurance investigator and a paroled bank robber remain suspicious. Some strong language. 1999.

The Trouble with Harriet: Ellie Haskell Mystery RC 49068
by Dorothy Cannell
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
Ellie and Ben Haskell are looking forward to their vacation, but while running last-minute errands, Ellie is confronted by a gypsy who warns her not to leave. When Ellie gets home, her long-lost father has arrived, carrying the ashes of his recent love, Harriet. Ellie's problems are just beginning. 1999.

A Maiden's Grave RC 49072
by Jeffery Deaver
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
Three escaped prisoners hijack a schoolbus and take the deaf children and their teachers to a Kansas slaughterhouse. The quickly assembled FBI negotiating team is led by Arthur Potter, who develops an admiration for one of the hostages, deaf teacher Melanie Charrol. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Miss Pym Disposes RC 49075
by Josephine Tey
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
Miss Lucy Pym is a visiting lecturer in psychology at a girls' physical education college called Leys. The students are a diverse group, and Miss Pym enjoys her stay until one of them, Miss Rouse, is

killed using gymnastic apparatus. The police call it an accident, but Miss Pym discovers otherwise. 1948.

Loves Me, Loves Me Not RC 49076
by Anilú Bernardo
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Florida high school sophomore Maggie Castillo has two dreams: to become the girlfriend of popular Zach and to get a job in the medical field. When she is hired to help an elderly woman recover from a broken leg, Maggie is thrilled to learn the woman is Zach's grandmother. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Lessons of the Game RC 49077
by Diane Gonzales Bertrand
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Student teacher Kaylene Morales is happily surprised that an old acquaintance, Alex Garrison, is a coach at her assigned school. The two begin dating, but football season consumes most of Alex's time and creates problems in their relationship. Kaylene has to decide whether to accept his lifestyle. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

Giving Up America RC 49085
by Pearl Abraham
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Deena, a Hasidic Jew raised in Jerusalem, ignores the warnings of her father and marries Daniel, an American Orthodox Jew. After seven years of marriage they are still childless, and Daniel becomes friendly with a woman from work. Gradually Daniel and Deena grow apart and the marriage disintegrates. 1998.

Chocolat RC 49086
by Joanne Harris
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
On the first Sunday in Lent, newcomers Vianne Rocher and her young daughter Anouk open a chocolate shop, La Céleste Praline, near the church in a small French village. Priest Monsieur Reynaud and Mademoiselle Rocher compete for the townspeople's attention. 1999.

Husband, Lover, Stranger RC 49091
by Suzanne Forster
read by Nanette Savard
3 cassettes
Five years after her husband, Jay, disappeared on an ice-climbing trip, Sophie prepares to marry the therapist who helped her through her grief. But Jay is miraculously found—or someone who appears to be Jay. His wealthy family has no doubts—why does Sophie? Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

A Walk to Remember RC 49104
by Nicholas Sparks
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Fifty-seven-year-old Landon thinks back to 1958, the year that changed his life. Pious, bible-carrying Jamie Sullivan asks seventeen-year-old Landon to co-star with her in the Christmas play written by her preacher father. As they spend time together, Landon is shocked to realize he's falling in love. Bestseller 1999.

Waiting RC 49107
by Ha Jin
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes
In 1960s China, Manna Wu falls in love

with married doctor Lin Kong. His tradition-bound wife, Shuyu, refuses to divorce him, but if Lin can forbear through eighteen years of separation, the court will dissolve the marriage. National Book Award. 1999.

With Song RC 49109
by Dorothy Garlock
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
Kansas, 1935. Molly McKenzie is working in the family's general store when two men come in and gun down her parents. Federal agent Hod Dolan knows who the killers are, and Molly risks her life to help capture them. Companion to *With Hope (RC 48291)*. Some descriptions of sex. 1999.

With Heart RC 49110
by Dorothy Garlock
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
Tillison County, Oklahoma; 1938. Kathleen Dolan, niece of Tom *With Hope (RC 48291)* and Hod Dolan *With Song (RC 49109),* arrives in Rawlings excited about joining the Rawlings Gazette. When her work threatens to expose a local conspiracy, the newswoman faces peril. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1999.

Home at Last RC 49116
by Katherine Stone
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Someone is killing women who know world-famous NYPD hostage negotiator Lucas Hunter. When the killer picks rookie television anchor woman Galen Chandler to tell his story, Lucas and Galen are thrown together as they work to catch him. Some violence and some descriptions of sex. 1999.

Computer One RC 49117
by Warwick Collins
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Because Computer One controls all the automated systems in the world, California professor Yakuda fears it could eventually destroy civilization. But if he mentions his concerns, he might hasten Computer One's annihilation of humans! (The author's prologue considers the possibility that such a nightmare scenario might come true.) Strong language. 1993.

Hungry as the Sea RC 49119
by Wilbur Smith
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Bankrupt shipping magnate Nicholas Berg races to claim the salvage rights to a cruise ship that hit an iceberg in the Antarctic. In the process, he saves the life of marine biologist Samantha Silver, and the two fall in love. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1978.

New Stories from the South: The Year's Best, 1998 RC 49124
edited by Shannon Ravenel
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
A collection of nineteen stories that, the editor asserts, typify Southern literature: "The people have been whipped, and whipped good." In "Memorial Day" a boy confronts Death as a laconic young man outside the house where the boy's brother lies deathly ill. Then Death pulls a startling twist. Strong language. 1998.

Palindrome RC 49125
by Stuart Woods
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
After a brutal battering from her steroid-crazed pro football husband, Liz Barwick escapes to make a book of photographs of Georgia's Cumberland Island. She falls for one of the island's owners, who has mysteriously refused to speak with his identical twin for decades. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1991.

The Castle RC 49126
by Franz Kafka
read by Randy Wieck
3 cassettes
Land surveyor K. claims to be hired by the count of the nearby castle but is denied access to perform his job by a complicated and illogical bureaucratic system. An unfinished novel from 1926, newly translated by Mark Harman from the restored text of the Pasley German critical edition. 1998.

The Devil's Workshop RC 49127
by Stephen J. Cannell
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes
Suspecting a cover-up when told that her microbiologist husband has committed suicide, microbiology doctoral student Stacy Richardson goes undercover to find out about the work he was doing at Fort Detrick, Maryland. She links up with a former war hero, alcoholic hobo Lucky Cunningham, to stop a bio-weapons scheme. Strong language and violence. 1999.

Do You Promise Not to Tell? RC 49129
by Mary Jane Clark
read by Ann Hodapp
1 cassette
Television news producer Farrell Slater is about to lose her job when she stumbles on a potentially huge story: the Fabergé egg just auctioned by a prestigious firm may be fake. But can she prove it without endangering the old Russian woman who owns the real one —or herself? Some violence. 1999.

Painting the Black RC 49130
by Carl Deuker
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
When senior Ryan Ward befriends newcomer Josh Daniels, Ryan has no idea that Josh is a star athlete and will soon be the school hero. But after Ryan prevents Josh from assaulting a female student, he faces a moral dilemma—should he turn Josh in? For senior high readers. 1997.

King Charlie RC 49132
by Max Brand
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Although the West is being tamed, an infamous cowboy tramp, "King Charlie" Smith, takes fourteen-year-old orphan Billy English on the road with him as an apprentice. The two even adopt another orphan, Louise "Lady" Young, whom they eventually send back east to school. Some violence. 1922.

Blue Moon RC 49134
by Jill Marie Landis
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
In 1819 as her family traveled to Illinois, eighteen-year-old Olivia Bond is kidnapped and sold to a New Orleans

brothel owner. A year later she escapes to Illinois, where, lost in a swamp, she is found by one-eyed loner Noah LeCroix. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.

The Year's Twenty-Five Finest Crime and Mystery Stories RC 49135
edited by Ed Gorman and Martin H. Greenberg
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
This seventh annual collection includes prizewinning stories by Lawrence Block and Reginald Hill. Other well-known authors include Jeffrey Deaver, Marcia Muller, Bill Pronzini, Joyce Carol Oates, and Donald E. Westlake. 1998.

Mackerel by Moonlight RC 49138
by William F. Weld
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Under a cloud of scandal, Terry Mullally leaves his assistant D.A. job in New York for a fresh start in Boston. Tutored by a Washington spin doctor, he maneuvers to capture a U.S. Senate seat, but his unsavory past threatens to derail his promising career. Some strong language. 1998.

***The Black Rider* and Other Stories RC 49139**
by Max Brand
read by Randy Atcher
2 cassettes
Four western tales that depict "the experience of personal renewal, an affirmation of hope through courage, the potential that exists in each human being for redemption." In "Partners" a pair of enemies must come to terms if they want to survive a winter storm in the mountain desert. 1996.

Summer's End RC 49143
by Kathleen Gilles Seidel
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
When widowed Gwen Wells and Hal Legend marry, it throws their grown children reluctantly together at the Legend summer cabins in Minnesota. Jack Wells and Amy Legend, an Olympic figure skater, hit it off, but decide a romance would be impossible set against the other siblings' conflicting emotions. Some descriptions of sex. 1999.

Sweepers RC 49145
by P.T. Deutermann
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Newly promoted Admiral Sherman is questioned by police about his girlfriend's suspicious death. The Navy's judge advocate general (JAG) puts Commander Karen Lawrence on the case, and she learns Sherman may have been set up by a SEAL he left to die in Vietnam. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1997.

The Girl Death Left Behind RC 49146
by Lurlene McDaniel
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
When fourteen-year-old Beth's entire family is killed in a car accident, she has to live with her aunt and uncle and spoiled cousin Terri in another state. Beth misses her family and friends terribly, but with help she learns to cope while never forgetting. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

Angel Flying Too Close to the Ground RC 49147
by Annie Garrett
read by Ann Hodapp
1 cassette
Successful celebrity journalist Tess Boone is reluctant to interview her next subject, country music star Buck Campbell. Buck is actually Jamie, the boy whose heart Tess broke when she chose college over marrying him and staying in their small Arkansas town. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1996.

Illegal Alien RC 49151
by Robert J. Sawyer
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
Aliens arrive seeking help in repairing their mother ship. While politician Francis Nobilio and scientist Cletus Calhoun are touring the seven Tosoks around the country, Calhoun is murdered in L.A. A trial involving a famous civil rights attorney proceeds, and Nobilio discovers the real motive behind the space landing. Some violence. 1997.

Icy Sparks RC 49152
by Gwyn Hyman Rubio
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Growing up in the 1950s in a small Kentucky town, Icy realizes that she is different from the other kids. She endures alienation at school and a stay in the state hospital while gradually coming to terms with her disorder, Tourette Syndrome. Some strong language. 1998.

The Killing Game RC 49153
by Iris Johansen
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Forensic sculptor Eve Duncan has helped identify many bodies, but has yet to discover that of her daughter, Bonnie, murdered years ago. Then skeletons are uncovered in Georgia, including one of a little girl. The killer stalks Eve as she sculpts the face. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1999.

Starfarers RC 49154
by Poul Anderson
read by Richard Hauenstein
4 cassettes
Astronomers have discovered the possibility of advanced civilizations in the far reaches of the galaxy. A group of ten scientists boards the starship *Envoy* for a journey that will take thousands of years to complete. Although they eventually encounter another civilization, they are unprepared for the ramifications of their adventure. 1998.

Pratt's Landing RC 49159
by Martha Kirkland
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Alabama, 1889. Socially ostracized Emma Lawrence struggles to pay the taxes on her family's pecan farm after her disgraced father dies in prison. She is forced to ask the only lawyer in Pratt's Landing, Sam Watson, for help. But then the two fall inexplicably in love. Some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Eye of the Beholder RC 49160
by Jayne Ann Krentz
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Several murders, revenge, art fraud, and mysticism abound as hotel owner J.L. Trask and art expert Alexa Chambers search for a murderer at an Arizona resort. Alexa is also trying to restore her reputation destroyed several years earli-

er by an unscrupulous dealer. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1999.

Anatomy of a Murder RC 49161
by Robert Traver
read by Barry Bernson
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Army lieutenant Frederic Manion is jailed for killing Barney Quill, a motel operator in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Manion claims his wife was raped by Quill. Manion's defense attorney Paul Biegler re-creates the murder and sensational trial. Originally published in 1958; contains a new introduction by Traver, a former Michigan Supreme Court justice. Some strong language. 1983.

Moonfall RC 49162
by Jack McDevitt
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
In 2024 U.S. Vice President Charles L. Haskell is on the Moon to open its first colony when reports arrive that a comet is headed there on a collision course. Evacuation alerts from the Moon are interspersed with bulletins about Moon fragments that will bombard Earth. Some strong language. 1998.

O Pioneer! RC 49166
by Frederik Pohl
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Computer hacker Evesham Giyt feels trapped within Earth's limited space, so he marries his girlfriend, Rina, and they move to planet Tupelo. Shortly after arriving, Evesham is elected mayor of the human community and finds himself trying to develop peace among the various races inhabiting Tupelo. 1998.

Her Man Friday RC 49168
by Elizabeth Bevarly
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
Leo Friday is hired by Kimball Technologies' board of directors to find out who is skimming millions. They don't want Mr. Kimball to find out, so Leo reluctantly goes undercover as a frumpy bookkeeper in Kimball's mansion, where he becomes wildly attracted to Kimball's social secretary. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

Things Remembered RC 49169
by Georgia Bockoven
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Twenty years ago when her parents were killed, Karla Esterbrook and her sisters went to live with their grandmother, Anna Olsen. Karla and Anna have never been close, but now that Anna is dying, Karla has returned to California to put Anna's affairs in order. 1998.

Red Grass River: A Legend RC 49170
by James Carlos Blake
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
1900s. For years Florida sheriff Bobby Baker feuds with a moonshining cracker clan led by John Ashley. Clan members hide out in swamps, rob banks, and hijack Prohibition booze. After thirteen years, an ambush is set that kills most of the gang. Some strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Rude Behavior RC 49172
by Dan Jenkins
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
Billy Clyde Puckett, former football halfback and now bored TV sports commentator, returns to Fort Worth, Texas. Bankrolled by his father-in-law, Puckett gains the NFL franchise for the West Texas Tornadoes and starts putting a team together, while his wife is making a movie in Switzerland. Strong language. 1998.

The Blue Hour RC 49184
by T. Jefferson Parker
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Although he's battling cancer, retired California police detective Tim Hess agrees to help with a serial killer case. He reports to young second-generation cop Merci Rayborn, whose initial displeasure in the pairing gradually vanishes as they search for a man who finds his victims at malls. Strong language and violence. 1999.

Madame Bovary: Life in a Country Town RC 49192
by Gustave Flaubert
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes (Reissue)
A young middle-class Frenchwoman, Emma Bovary, is bored with her husband (an inept doctor) and their country existence. Her romantic fantasies lead her astray, into adultery and self-destruction. Translated by Gerard Hopkins. Originally published in 1857. 1981.

Cuba RC 49193
by Stephen Coonts
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
As Fidel Castro lies dying of cancer, a U.S. shipment of biological warheads disappears off the coast of Cuba, and the CIA uncovers ballistic missile silos near Havana. Faced with the imminent threat of attack, the president directs the use of necessary force to avert disaster. Some strong language. 1999.

Wildside RC 49194
by Steven Gould
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Charlie Newell, eighteen, inherits an unusual ranch. The back door of the barn opens into an alternate world containing extinct animals and mineral deposits. Charlie entrusts his secret to four friends, and together they begin mining gold. All is well until the government discovers their secret. For senior high and older readers. 1996.

***The Camp Robber* and Other Stories RC 49196**
by Zane Grey
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Collection of six western short stories. In the title story, a new ranch hand, Wingfield, is accused when the payroll is missing. Wingfield follows tracks to a remote cabin to find not only the stolen money but also a missing piece of his life. 1979.

Masked Dancers RC 49197
by Jean Hager
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Small-town Oklahoma police chief Mitch Bushyhead discovers the game warden's body near an illegally shot bald eagle. Bushyhead tries to question high school principal Vian Brasfield, who sometimes holds Cherokee eagle dances on his land, but Brasfield has

mysteriously disappeared. Strong language. 1998.

Now You See Her RC 49199
by Linda Howard
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Until a year ago, painting was simple for thirty-one-year-old artist Paris Sweeney. Then everything changed; colors became intense, traffic lights turned green for her, and she started seeing ghosts. When she moves to New York to be near an art gallery, her problems only grow worse. Violence and explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Maskerade: A Novel of Discworld RC 49201
by Terry Pratchett
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Corpulent Agnes Nitt auditions at the Ankh-Morpork Opera House. Although untrained, her amazing voice earns her a place in the chorus and a room in the opera house. While living there she learns about the legendary figure haunting it and relies for help on two witches from her hometown. 1995.

Nimisha's Ship RC 49202
by Anne McCaffrey
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
Vega III. As a young girl, Lady Nimisha exhibits such an aptitude for all things mechanical that her father plans to leave her his shipyard. When he is killed in a freak accident, Nimisha is prepared to take over, but her brother disapproves of their father's bequest. 1999.

A Model Marriage RC 49206
by Jo Ann Ferguson
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
When his father dies, Patrick Fairchild returns to his small English town to be the new duke of Exton. He is looking for the perfect model to complete his painting of Venus, and he finds her in curvy Antonia Locke. But what will convince the schoolteacher's daughter to pose nude? 1998.

Riders of the Purple Sage RC 49208
by Zane Grey
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Utah, 1871. When Jane Withersteen incurs the wrath of her fellow Mormons for befriending Gentiles, gunman Lassiter comes to her aid and makes a startling personal discovery. Violence. 1912.

In Dubious Battle RC 49209
by John Steinbeck
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Jim Nolan leads disgruntled migrant workers in a confrontation with California landowners during the depression. Bestseller after its original publication in 1936. Conveys several levels of meaning about social forces and poverty in addition to its portrayal of labor strife. Some strong language and some violence. 1992.

California Fire and Life RC 49211
by Don Winslow
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Surfer Jack Wade became a claims adjuster for California Fire and Life after being kicked out of the fire department. Now he suspects arson in the fire that killed wealthy Nicky Vale's estranged

wife and destroyed heavily insured antiques. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

Jingo: A Discworld Novel RC 49216
by Terry Pratchett
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
When an island surfaces in the sea between Ankh-Morpork and Klatch, which have been at peace for nearly a century, both countries claim it. Though Ankh-Morpork has no standing army and has been selling weapons to Klatch for years, the only resort is war. Some strong language. 1997.

The Time It Never Rained RC 49217
by Elmer Kelton
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes (Reissue)
A cantankerous, independent-minded Texan, Charlie Flagg, fights to save his medium-sized ranch in Rio Seco during a drought. His problems are compounded by ineffectual federal aid programs and difficulties with Mexican ranch workers. Some strong language. 1973.

The Bride Finder RC 49219
by Susan Carroll
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Reclusive nobleman Anatole St. Leger, who is cursed with the inherited tendency to have visions, employs the family bride-finder. Anatole asks for a heavy-set plain woman, but the old man delivers a petite redhead—much like the one the visions warned against. Explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1998.

The Innocence of the Devil RC 49246
by Nawal Sa'dawi
read by Yolande Bavan
2 cassettes
Set at an Egyptian mental institution, focusing on a new patient, Ganat, and the head nurse, Narguiss. The histories and present situations of the inmates and staff reveal the difficulties of women in a patriarchal society where men dominate every facet of their existence. 1994.

Fortune's Rocks RC 49259
by Anita Shreve
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
New England, 1899. Fifteen-year-old Olympia Biddeford is vacationing with her parents when she falls in love with the married Dr. John Haskell, a friend of her father's. Pregnant, Olympia is soon exiled. Years later she files suit to reclaim the child who was taken from her. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

Saving Faith RC 49260
by David Baldacci
read by Barbara Pinolini
3 cassettes
When lobbyist Faith Lockhart reports her boss Danny Buchanan's bribery schemes to the FBI, she interferes with a rogue CIA scheme. Faith and private investigator Lee Adams run for their lives when they are attacked by renegade agents. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Void Moon RC 49262
by Michael Connelly
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Ten months out of prison for a crime

caper that killed her lover, Cassie Black needs money fast to follow her secret dream. She hits another mark at the same Las Vegas hotel, but the theft goes badly. Now a cruel private investigator uses Cassie's dream as blackmail. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Disgrace RC 49263
by J.M. Coetzee
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Divorced, fifty-two-year-old professor David Lurie is dismissed from a Cape Town university for seducing a twenty-year-old student. After retreating to his daughter's farm, an unprovoked attack by three African youths causes Lurie to reflect on his value system. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Booker Prize. 1999.

Legacies: A Repairman Jack Mystery RC 49286
by F. Paul Wilson
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Tomb (RC 22793)*, Repairman Jack comes to the aid of pediatrician Alicia Clayton, whose half-brother is desperate to take custody of Alicia's inherited house. Jack moves aggressively to uncover the secret of the house before things turn deadly. Strong language and violence. 1998.

How I Created My Perfect Prom Date RC 49290
by Todd Strasser
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
This companion to *How I Changed My Life (RC 43121)* has been made into the movie Next to You. Nicole needs a prom date and decides to transform her grungy neighbor, Chase, into a hunk. Previously titled *Girl Gives Birth to Own Prom Date.* For junior and senior high readers. 1996.

Monster: An Alex Delaware Novel RC 49306
by Jonathan Kellerman
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Psychologist Alex Delaware teams up with L.A. homicide detective Milo Sturgis to solve two related murders. One victim, a psychologist, had worked with criminally insane prisoners. An inmate appears to know about the crimes, but he's in for life, for butchering a family. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

Sick Puppy RC 49307
by Carl Hiaasen
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Young, deranged millionaire Twilly Spree rails against the overdevelopment and pollution of his beloved state of Florida. He takes matters into his own hands when lobbyist Palmer Stoat conspires with the corrupt governor to turn a pristine island into urban sprawl. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

The Lion's Game RC 49310
by Nelson DeMille
read by Fred Major
5 cassettes
John Corey, last seen in *Plum Island (RC 44551)*, and his FBI mentor Kate Mayfield are at the New York airport to

meet a Libyan terrorist nicknamed "the lion." But the aircraft lands with all of the passengers dead and the lion missing. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2000.

High Tide RC 49414
by Jude Deveraux
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Fashion doll creator Fiona Burkenhalter aims to secure an account with children's author Roy Hudson during a Florida fishing trip that is guided by Ace Montgomery. When the excursion goes awry, Fiona and Ace stand accused of murdering Hudson. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

The Land beyond the Mountains RC 49418
by Janice Holt Giles
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Kentucky Territory, 1783. Young Major Cass Cartwright leaves his Virginia home to establish a settlement in the wilderness. His partner is General James Wilkinson, a roguish schemer who conspires with the Spanish to establish his own empire. Cartwright, however, remains loyal to his country while being torn between two women. 1958.

Presidential Deal RC 49419
by Les Standiford
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Florida contractor John Deal is about to receive a medal from the first lady for rescuing drowning Cuban refugees, when terrorists invade the ceremony. The two are taken to a Caribbean island stronghold, where a hurricane strikes. As they struggle to escape, Deal's friends continue to investigate. Strong language and violence. 1998.

Murder in Georgetown: An Eleanor Roosevelt Mystery RC 49435
by Elliott Roosevelt
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
Washington, D.C.; 1935. When Sargent Peavy, a member of the Federal Reserve Board, is murdered, police and his widow accuse his lover, Jessica Dee. But Jessica has been working as a spy for First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt on the staff of Senator Huey Long. Eleanor becomes involved in clearing Jessica's name. 1999.

The Sea of Grass RC 49473
by Conrad Richter
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
Lutie Brewton leaves her husband and children on the Cross B ranch to return to the city. Twenty years later she finds a reason to come back when her youngest son, Brock, is shot as a desperado. 1936.

The Looking Glass RC 49474
by Richard Paul Evans
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Devastated over his wife's death in childbirth, embittered minister Hunter Bell sets out for the Utah gold country and strikes it rich. But it is Bell's discovery of an abused woman in the snow outside his cottage that sets them both on the path of healing. Some violence. Bestseller 1999.

Hunting Badger RC 49475
by Tony Hillerman
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
A casino robbery on the Ute reservation leaves one guard dead, while a second is wounded and held under suspicion. As Navajo Tribal Police sergeant Jim Chee tracks the criminals in the Four Corners canyons, retired cop Joe Leaphorn receives a startling tip identifying the perpetrators. Some violence. Bestseller 1999.

Tom Clancy's Net Force: Hidden Agendas RC 49476
by Tom Clancy and Steve Pieczenik
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
2010. When top secret intelligence appears on the Internet, FBI Net Force chief Alex Michaels is summoned before a hostile Senate committee. Then Michaels and his Net Force sleuths pursue a trail of evidence that leads back home. Sequel to *Tom Clancy's Net Force (RC 47916)*. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1999.

Dust Devils RC 49479
by Robert Laxalt
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
Ira Hamilton wins an Arabian colt at the rodeo with the help of his Paiute friend, Cricket. When rustlers steal the horse, Ira tracks them across the desert, almost dying from thirst, flash floods, and a bullet. Some strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. For senior high and older readers. 1997.

The Best Intentions RC 49480
by Candice Hern
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Miles Prescott, the Earl of Strickland, needs a mother for his two children. When his sister arrives for a visit, she brings Lady Abingdon, a young widow, for his perusal. But it is the lady's uncouth but scholarly sister Hannah whom Miles and his family embrace. 1999. 1999.

Jewels of the Sun: The Gallaghers of Ardmore, Book 1 RC 49482
by Nora Roberts
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
A depressed Jude Murray flees Chicago for her ancestral cottage in Ardmore, Ireland. She soon discovers Gallagher's Pub and the siblings who run it—Darcy and her brothers, Shawn and Aidan. Jude encounters banshees and faeries, and also falls in love. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

The Cat Who Robbed a Bank RC 49500
by Lilian Jackson Braun
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Autumn in Pickax brings festivals, the Scottish Games, and the return of estate jeweler Mr. Delacamp. But Mr. Delacamp is murdered in the newly restored hotel, and his assistant and the desk clerk are missing. Qwilleran takes clues from his cats, Koko and Yum Yum, to solve the crime. Bestseller 1999.

The Bluest Eye RC 49914
by Toni Morrison
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes (Reissue)
1941. Eleven-year-old Pecola Breedlove —poor, ugly, and black—desperately wants blue eyes, which she thinks would solve all her problems. But instead she is subjected to rejection, violence, and an unwanted pregnancy. Slowly, she begins to descend into madness. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1970.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Lives of the Artists: Masterpieces, Messes (and What the Neighbors Thought) RC 48267
by Kathleen Krull
read by Conrad Feininger
1 cassette
Portraits of twenty artists, providing information about their childhood years and the works that made them famous. Includes Michelangelo Buonarroti, Rembrandt van Rijn, Mary Cassatt, Henri Matisse, Georgia O'Keeffe, and Andy Warhol. For grades 3-6. 1995.

My Life in Dog Years RC 48269
by Gary Paulsen
read by Michael Kramer
1 cassette
Paulsen proudly refers to himself as a "dog person," someone who loves dogs, and always has at least five or six. He writes about eight of the especially memorable dogs that have shared his life through the years. In the dedication to Cookie, he tells how she saved his life in 1980 when he had fallen through ice. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Terror of the Spanish Main: Sir Henry Morgan and His Buccaneers RC 48281
by Albert Marrin
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Depicts the seventeenth-century world and the life of Henry Morgan. Portrays a self-made man who rose from a humble home in Wales to be knighted by the Queen of England and to become lieutenant governor of Jamaica. Describes his plundering of Spanish towns along the Central and South American mainland. For grades 6-9. 1999.

Fifty-Two Days by Camel: My Sahara Adventure RC 48295
by Lawrie Raskin
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Describes the author's journey through Morocco, across the Atlas Mountains, into the Sahara Desert, arriving at Timbuktu, and continuing to ancient salt mines in a remote part of the desert. Discusses camels, nomads, customs, Muslim traditions, and his adventures traveling in his favorite terrain—the desert. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Tracking Dinosaurs in the Gobi RC 48447
by Margery Facklam
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
A history of expeditions searching for dinosaur fossils in the Gobi Desert of Mongolia. Describes the discovery of dinosaur eggs in 1923 by Roy Chapman Andrews's team, which caused enduring interest in the area. Explains the complex logistics of mounting a scientific field trip in the 1920s and in the 1990s. For grades 5-8. 1997.

The Composite Guide to Auto Racing RC 48508
by John F. Wukovits
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
The history of auto racing from its inception to its 1990s popularity in the United States. Includes a chronology. For grades 4-7. 1999.

War and the Pity of War RC 48626
edited by Neil Philip
read by Jeff Baker
1 cassette
International anthology of seventy-one poems written across the ages depicting conflicts from eleventh century B.C. China to Serbo-Croatia in 1993. Selections reveal both the noble aspirations and the physical horrors of war, and soldiering as a common experience throughout human history. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1998.

Mariah Carey RC 48662
by Melanie Cole
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
Describes singer Mariah Carey's life and how she overcame prejudice to become a popular entertainer. Mariah's mother, an opera singer, encouraged her daughter's musical talent and realized that, even as a toddler, Mariah had perfect pitch. For grades 5-8. 1998.

When Dinosaurs Die: A Guide to Understanding Death RC 48663
by Laurie Krasny Brown and Marc Brown
read by MaryBeth Wise
1 cassette
Presents a look at how children are affected by death, especially the loss of a loved one. Explains what it means to be alive and what death is. Discusses the different reasons people die, how to say good-bye, and ways to remember someone. For grades K-3. 1996.

Buffalo Soldiers RC 48667
by Catherine Reef
read by Chuck Young
1 cassette
Recalls the history of African American soldiers who made up the 9th and 10th Cavalry. After the Civil War (1861–1865), black soldiers were sent as a peacekeeping force to the western frontier. Describes the regiments and their campaigns in Mexico and Cuba, and the

92nd Infantry's work in Europe. For grades 4-7. 1993.

Earth, Fire, Water, Air RC 48673
by Mary Hoffman
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
Recounts myths, legends, poems, proverbs, and superstitions about each of the four elements of the title, as expressed in various cultural traditions. Intended to encourage respect for the natural world. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Roberto Alomar: An Authorized Biography RC 49003
by Norman L. Macht
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
Highlights the career of the Puerto Rican baseball player, emphasizing the hard work and dedication to the sport that lead to his success. Depicts his childhood in a family of athletes, his disappointments and struggles in the minor league, his World Series play, and his suspension. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Sammy Sosa RC 49004
by Carrie Muskat
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
Biography of the record-breaking baseball player from the Dominican Republic. Sammy Sosa was raised in poverty, but his athletic ability led him to his first professional sports contract at age sixteen. Sosa also became well known for his generosity in providing assistance to his family and homeland. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Cliques, Phonies, and Other Baloney RC 49137
by Trevor Romain
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Humorously discusses the negative aspects of exclusive in-groups. Explains how to make genuine friends and what to do in different social situations. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Bayard Rustin: Behind the Scenes of the Civil Rights Movement RC 49213
by James Haskins
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Biography of the skillful political organizer of the huge March on Washington in 1963. Explains how he acquired his beliefs in nonviolent protest and how he later influenced Martin Luther King Jr., starting at the 1955 bus boycott in Montgomery, Alabama. For grades 5-8. 1997.

Let's Talk about When a Parent Dies RC 49392
by Elizabeth Weitzman
read by Rick Foucheux
1 cassette
Discusses various feelings and reactions a child may experience after the death of a parent. Offers advice on how to deal with these emotions and how to adjust to this new situation. For grades K-3. 1996.

Let's Talk about Going to a Funeral RC 49431
by Marianne Johnston
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Explains what a funeral is and what happens at the ceremony and the cemetery. Discusses people's feelings of loss and how they express grief. For grades K-3. 1997.

Canada RC 49443
by Bob Barlas and Norman Tompsett
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Describes the nation of Canada, which shares its border with the United States. Includes geography and history, government and people, arts and leisure, as well as its relations with the United States. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Under the Royal Palms: A Childhood in Cuba RC 49485
by Alma Flor Ada
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
In this companion to *Where the Flame Trees Bloom (RC 42823)* the author continues the story of her childhood in a small town in Cuba. She reminisces about her uncles, a pilot and a doctor, and about the death of her beloved ballet teacher. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Cassettes Fiction

The Deetkatoo: Native American Stories about Little People RC 47326
compiled by John Bierhorst
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Twenty-two stories about the little people whose strength and wisdom transcend their size. A Cherokee tale, "The Little House in the Deep Water," explains why the little people can be heard talking below the water's surface. The title piece, told by the Tillamook, shows how a little man helps a woman regain her husband. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1998.

A Glory of Unicorns RC 47880
compiled by Bruce Coville
read by Lindsay Ellison
1 cassette
Short stories and a poem celebrating unicorns. In *The Ugly Unicorn*, a blind girl in ancient China believes a homely creature is a gorgeous unicorn. In *The Healing Truth*, no one believes chronic liar Crystal when she reports that a unicorn lives in the supply closet. For grades 4-7. 1998.

The Long Ride RC 48023
by Bonnie Bryant
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Horse-crazy girlfriends Stevie, Lisa, and Carole spend all their free time at Pine Hollow Stables. Callie, a new girl, causes trouble, and an accident leads to tragedy. The girls all learn to band together and participate in therapeutic riding. For grades 6-9. 1998.

Her Blue Straw Hat RC 48024
by C.S. Adler
read by Anne Mullen
1 cassette
Rachel is looking forward to spending the summer on Cape Cod at her stepfather's cottage. She gets along fine with Ben—even better than she does with her mother, "M.J." But M.J. and Ben have some surprises in store for Rachel, and her summer may not be so great after all. For grades 5-8. 1997.

Hearsay: Strange Tales from the Middle Kingdom RC 48027
by Barbara Ann Porte
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
Fifteen stories with Chinese themes. In "Two-Parasol Person," Su Ling's mother insists that Su Ling always carry two

umbrellas. Years later she finds out why. In "Chinese Ghost in America," Candice's mother tells her about a Chinese ancestor, Ma Ku, whose mother refused to let Ma Ku's feet be bound. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Danny's Desert Rats RC 48264
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Being Danny's Dog (RC 48263)*, T.R. describes how he, his older brother Danny, and their friends at Rosemary Acres condominium complex spend their summer. Calling themselves the Desert Rats, the youngsters aim to protect Paul's forbidden cat who has traveled fifteen miles to get back to Paul. For grades 3-6. 1998.

The Water Horse RC 48417
by Dick King-Smith
read by Larry Shapiro
1 cassette
Scotland, 1930. Kirstie and her little brother Angus bring an odd fish egg home from the beach. When a strange creature with a long neck and a horse-like head hatches in their bathtub, their grandfather helps the children care for the baby sea monster. For grades 3-6. 1990.

Dancing with Great-Aunt Cornelia RC 48418
by Anne Quirk
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Every year around her birthday, Cornelia has tea with her eccentric great-aunt Cornelia Witherspoon and her wolfhound at a hotel in Manhattan. On Cornelia's thirteenth birthday, her aunt invites Cornelia to spend the summer with her. Cornelia meets some colorful people, and a long-hidden family secret is revealed. For grades 4-7. 1997.

The Family under the Bridge RC 48442
by Natalie Savage Carlson
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette (Reissue)
Armand, an adventurous old hobo, lives under a bridge in Paris. One December day he arrives there to discover three redheaded children and a dog. Armand cares for the young Calcets while their mother works. During one of their escapades around the city, they tell Santa Claus they want a real home. For grades 3-6. 1958.

Sun, Moon, and Stars RC 48448
retold by Mary Hoffman
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
A sampling of legends and myths created by people of ancient civilizations to explain what they saw in the sky. Retold tales that are still remembered in Egypt, Latvia, Korea, Greece, and American Indian societies, among others. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Second Stringer RC 48610
by Thomas J. Dygard
read by Dan Bloom
1 cassette
All through high school Kevin Taylor has been the backup quarterback to Rob Montgomery, mopping up in the last quarter. When Rob is injured during the first game and out for the season, Kevin has to step up to the challenge. Rob encourages him to succeed. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1998.

Stone Fox RC 48664
by John Reynolds Gardiner
read by Michael Kramer
1 cassette
Ten-year-old Willy enjoys life with his

grandfather on a small potato farm in Wyoming, until the elderly man seems to give up on life. Willy is determined to keep the farm going and harvests an entire crop with just his dog, Searchlight. Now he must earn $500 to pay the taxes. For grades 3-6. 1980.

Heaven RC 48669
by Angela Johnson
read by Tracy Mickens-Hundley
1 cassette
Fourteen-year-old Marley is content with her life in Heaven, Ohio, until a letter arrives from a church in Alabama. Marley is shocked to find out that her parents are really her aunt and uncle—and she feels that they have been deceiving her. For grades 5-8. Coretta Scott King Award. 1998.

Adventures of Monkey King RC 48670
retold by R.L. Gao
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
Twelve stories telling how a stone monkey becomes the Monkey King, how he learns magic tricks from an immortal, and how he helps Monk Tang on his journey. Retelling of sixteenth-century Chinese folk tales. For grades 3-6. 1989.

McBroom Tells the Truth RC 48671
by Sid Fleischman
read by Michael Kramer
1 cassette (Reissue)
A tall tale told by Josh McBroom about the one-acre farm he bought from Heck Jones for his wife, Melissa, and their eleven children. When Heck sees the amazing crops Josh grows, he schemes to take back the land. For grades 2-4. 1966.

Riddle-Master: The Complete Trilogy RC 48692
by Patricia A. McKillip
read by Annie Wauters
5 cassettes
Three works originally published in the 1970s: *The Riddle-Master of Hed, Heir of Sea and Fire*, and *Harpist in the Wind*. Morgon, the Prince of Hed, accompanied by Deth the harpist, sets out to discover the meaning of the three stars above his brow. For grades 5-8. 1999.

The Trolls RC 48714
by Polly Horvath
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
Aunt Sally arrives with her suitcases and stories to take care of Melissa, age ten, Amanda, age eight, and Pee Wee, age six, while their parents go on vacation. She tells family stories about growing up in Canada that their father never told them, especially the tale of the trolls. For grades 3-6. 1999.

Cart and Cwidder: The Dalemark Quartet, Book 1 RC 48849
by Diana Wynne Jones
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Traveling performers Clennen and his family frequently deliver news, messages, and passengers between the warring states of North and South Dalemark. When Clennen is murdered, his children wonder if a passenger is connected in any way. A "Guide to Dalemark" is recorded with Book 4. Prequel to *Drowned Ammet (RC 48850)*. For grades 6-9. 1975.

If You Only Knew: The Friendship Ring, Volume 1 RC 48853
by Rachel Vail
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Seventh-grader Zoe Grandon used to be a tomboy, but her interests are changing. For one thing, she is developing a crush on longtime friend Tommy Levit, which just might be a problem when Tommy asks her best friend, CJ, for a date. Prequel to *Please, Please, Please (RC 48854)*. For grades 5-8. 1998.

The Mouse of Amherst RC 48862
by Elizabeth Spires
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
When a white mouse named Emmaline moves into the poet Emily Dickinson's bedroom, Emmaline is inspired to write verses also. Includes eight poems by Emily Dickinson. For grades 3-6. 1999.

No Effect RC 48940
by Daniel Hayes
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Eighth graders aren't usually on the high school wrestling team, but the coach needs more light-weight wrestlers and soon Tyler and Lymie are in training. For Tyler the physical pain of the sport parallels the emotional turmoil of his crush on a teacher. Sequel to *Eye of the Beholder (RC 42919)*. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Jane on Her Own: A Catwings Tale RC 48950
by Ursula K. Le Guin
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
When Jane, a winged cat, flies off to the city in search of adventure, she learns that the warnings about human beings are true. Some of them cannot be trusted. Sequel to *Wonderful Alexander and the Catwings (RC 40491)*. For grades 2-4. 1999.

Marlfox RC 48966
by Brian Jacques
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
Redwall Abbey is attacked by the Marlfoxes, who plunder a wondrous tapestry for their mother, Queen Silth. Young squirrels Dann and Song and the shrew Dippler are joined by the watervole Burble in their perilous quest to return the wall hanging to its proper place. Companion to *Redwall (RC 29729)*. For grades 5-8. 1998.

A Wrinkle in Time RC 48972
by Madeleine L'Engle
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette (Reissue)
Meg Murry, her younger brother Charles Wallace, and her neighbor Calvin are transported to the planet Camazotz as they search for Meg's lost father, a scientist studying time travel. Prequel to *A Wind in the Door (RC 41596)*. Newbery Medal. For grades 5-8. 1962.

For the Life of Laetitia RC 48990
by Merle Hodge
read by Samarra Mbenga
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Laetitia "Lacey" Johnson has passed the Common Entrance Examination and will be the first one in her family to go to high school. But in order to attend, she must move to La Puerta to live with her father, whom she hardly knows. For grades 6-9. 1993.

River Thunder RC 49064
by Will Hobbs
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
Jessie and her friends from *Downriver*

(RC 36801) are back to raft down the Grand Canyon. They discover that the trip is paid for by rich kid Troy but decide to have fun anyway—only they are unaware of the record-high water because of mismanagement and bad weather. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1997.

Zooman Sam RC 49065
by Lois Lowry
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
In preparing for Future Job Day at Sam Krupnik's nursery school, his parents and sister Anastasia help him put together a zookeeper's costume. In the process Sam learns to sound out some words. Companion to *See You Around, Sam! (RC 43709)*. For grades 3-6. 1999.

Stealing Freedom RC 49079
by Elisa Carbone
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
Maryland, 1850s. Young slave girl Ann Maria suffers many hardships, including separation from her family. An abolitionist helps her escape to Canada on the Underground Railroad. Based on a true case. For grades 6-9. 1998.

Sammy Keyes and the Skeleton Man RC 49112
by Wendelin Van Draanen
read by Abigail Dorn
1 cassette
Halloween night turns out to be especially frightening for seventh grader Sammy and two girlfriends when a skeleton rushes by them near a creepy house. The front door opens, revealing a fire. Sammy puts it out and finds a tied-up masked man. Now Sammy has a mystery to investigate. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Can You Feel the Thunder? RC 49128
by Lynn E. McElfresh
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Seventh-grader Mic Parsons has mixed feelings about his fifteen-year-old deaf and blind sister Stephanie. And if he doesn't pass mathematics, his parents won't let him try out for baseball. After Stephanie helps Mic learn fractions, he comes to appreciate her in a new way. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Jack and Jill RC 49149
by Louisa May Alcott
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Jack and Jill are the best of friends and when they are severely injured in a sledding accident they become even closer. With the help of Jack's mother, the two are provided with many amusements to pass the Christmas season. But will Jill ever walk again? For grades 5-8. 1880.

Dogstar RC 49150
by Beverley Wood and Chris Wood
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Jeff Beacon, thirteen, is unable to get over the death of his bullterrier, Buddy. So his parents take him on an Alaskan cruise. When they go ashore in Juneau, Jeff discovers a statue of another bullterrier, Patsy Ann, Juneau's official boat greeter. Before long, Jeff finds himself transported back to 1933. For grades 5-8. 1997.

The Empress of Elsewhere RC 49176
by Theresa Nelson
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
The start of summer is sad for Jim Junior; his best friend moves away and his dog dies. Then the richest lady in their

East Texas town offers him and his seven-year-old sister, Mary Al, a challenging job: to tame her granddaughter and her monkey. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Hans Brinker; or, The Silver Skates RC 49179
by Mary Mapes Dodge
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In the winter Hans and his sister Gretel enjoy skating on frozen canals in Holland, even though they are so poor they have only clumsy, wooden skates. They would like to win the silver skates offered as the prize in a race. Originally published in 1865. For grades 4-7. 1993.

Son of the Black Stallion RC 49195
by Walter Farley
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes (Reissue)
When Alec Ramsey's friend, an Arabian sheikh, sends him the Black Stallion's foal, Alec feels that his dream has come true. But training Satan, the high-spirited animal, is harder than Alec anticipates. Companion to *The Black Stallion (RC 44178)*. For grades 4-7. 1947.

Orp RC 49386
by Suzy Kline
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Orp and the Chop Suey Burgers (RC 45368)*, Orville Rudemeyer Pygenski, Orp for short, starts an I Hate My Name club. He's surprised when friends want to join, but really shocked by the group that comes to the club's first and last meeting. For grades 3-6. 1989.

Ghost of a Hanged Man RC 49412
by Vivian Vande Velde
read by John Polk
1 cassette
As he is sentenced to hang for murder, outlaw Jake Barnette vows to wreak vengeance on his accusers. Some months later a fortune-teller warns the sheriff's children of impending danger but also assures them that love will save them. That prediction is borne out in a terrifying but redemptive conclusion. For grades 4-8. 1998.

A Traitor among Us RC 49413
by Elizabeth Van Steenwyk
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
1944. In the German-occupied Netherlands, thirteen-year-old Pieter's hatred of the Nazis gradually involves him in ever more dangerous work for the underground resistance. Now, with a wounded American soldier hidden in his house, he especially fears betrayal by an unidentified village traitor. For grades 5-8. 1998.

A Season of Comebacks RC 49415
by Kathy Mackel
read by Nicole Taylor
1 cassette
Ten-year-old Molly Burrows competes with her softball-star older sister, Allie, for the approval of their father, who is also Allie's softball coach. Events take a turn, Molly makes the team, and things come together for all the family in the final game. For grades 3-6. 1997.

Forgive the River, Forgive the Sky RC 49423
by Gloria Whelan
read by Ann Hodapp
1 cassette
After her father's death, twelve-year-old

Lily Star and her mother move from their beloved home on Sandy River into an apartment. Lily befriends the new home owner, a wheelchair-using former test pilot. Together, Lily and her friend heal from their tragedies. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Dolphin Island RC 49424
by Arthur C. Clarke
read by Randy Davidson
1 cassette
In this suspenseful science fiction tale, sixteen-year-old Johnny Clinton is rescued by dolphins after the hovership he had stowed away on crashed in the Pacific. For grades 6-9. 1963.

Soup in Love RC 49432
by Robert Newton Peck
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
In February Rob and his best friend Soup go to Norma Jean Bissell's party—their first girl and boy party—to meet some newcomers. From then on, Soup and Rob are much more interested in Valentine's Day. Companion to *Soup (RC 33541)*. For grades 5-8. 1992. 1992.

Jungle Dogs RC 49434
by Graham Salisbury
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
In Hawaii, twelve-year-old Boy Regis is taunted as a "sissy" by his older brother, Damon, because Boy is afraid of wild dogs and refuses to defend himself against bullies. When Damon takes up a fight with gang members on Boy's behalf, events escalate and change both brothers' lives. Some violence. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Mountain Bike Mania RC 49444
by Matt Christopher
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
Sixth-grader Will Matthews, a bored couch potato, decides to join the school's mountain bike club, even though his best friend Danny, an avid hiker, hates the sport. Will becomes enthralled with his bike but soon the actions of one irresponsible member threaten the existence of the club. For grades 4-7. 1998.

The Hoboken Chicken Emergency RC 49681
by Daniel Pinkwater
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette (Reissue)
Arthur Bobowicz goes to pick up his family's Thanksgiving turkey at the butcher's and finds it's not there because of a mix-up. But resourceful Arthur ends up with a choice chicken —it just happens to weigh 266 pounds and cannot be returned. For grades 3-6. 1977.

Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire RC 50228
by J.K. Rowling
read by Erik Sandvold
4 cassettes
Now fourteen, the student wizard is eager to leave the Dursleys and join his friends Hermione and Ron for the Quidditch World Cup before beginning his fourth year at Hogwarts. But his enemies have not forgotten him. Sequel to *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban (RC 48772)*. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Marte y Venus en el Dormitorio: Una Guía para Hacer Durar el Romance y la Pasión RC 46995
por John Gray
leído por Juan Ramírez
2 cassettes
El autor de |*Los Hombres Son de Marte, las Mujeres Son de Venus (RC 43955)*| da consejos para mejorar las relaciones sexuales entre matrimonios. Describe el acto sexual y lo que se debe comunicar (o no comunicar) a la pareja, y cómo se puede reanimar la pasión sexual. Contiene lenguaje fuerte y descripciones de índole sexual. (The author of *Men Are from Mars, Women Are from Venus (RC 43955)* suggests ways for monogamous couples to improve their communications and sexual relations. Discusses mechanics of sex, what (and what not) to say and do, and how to rekindle passion. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex.) Bestseller. 1995.

Arráncame la Vida RC 46996
por Angeles Mastretta
leído por María Pino
2 cassettes
Catalina es una muchacha que lo ingnora todo en la vida. Cuando se casa con un político poderoso, pronto se encuentra al margen de lo preocupan sus intereses políticos. Pero Catalina es una criatura apasionada e imagainativa, y en un matriomonio sin amor ocurre lo inevitable. Y Catalina vuelve a amar. (Young, ingenuous Catalina marries a powerful politician and almost immediately finds herself shunted aside while her husband pursues his career. Her life in a society where women are no more than sex objects leaves her starved for love and passion. Inevitably, she ends up looking elsewhere for fulfillment.) 1986.

Inmigración sin Confusión: Cómo Ingresar, Residir y Hacerse Ciudadano de Estados Unidos RC 49250
por Mario A. Vásquez
leído por Juan Ramírez
2 cassettes
Un abogado hispano resume y explica los aspectos más importantes de inmigración a los Estados Unidos, desde el que está considerando viajar por turismo, hasta el que ya ha vivido much9s años en este pais y busca hacerse ciudadano o traer parientes. Incluye las leyes más recientes así como un directorio de las agencias encargadas del proceso de inmigratión. (A Hispanic lawyer reviews and explains the most important aspects of immigration to the United States, ranging from simple tourist visas to the detailed requirements of residence, citizenship, and procedures to bring relatives into the U.S. Includes information on the most recent laws and lists agencies administering immigration.) 1998.

Tan Lejos de Dios RC 49251
por Ana Castillo
leído por María Pino
2 cassettes
No es de sorprenderse que Sofi fundará las Madres de Mártires y Santas (M.A.M.Y.S). Sus cuatro hijas tenían vidas muy trágicas. Tres de ellas, sufrieron violencia o tragedias personales y quedaron con poderes o conocimientos extraordinarios. La cuarta hija,

"la normal," era cronista de radio que fue tomada de rehén y fue torturada. Violencia. (It is no wonder that Sofi founds Mothers of Martyrs and Saints (M.O.M.A.S.)! Her four daughters led remarkably unfortunate lives. Three were left with unusual knowledge or powers after suffering personal tragedies and violence. The "normal" fourth daughter, a newscaster, was taken hostage and tortured. Violence.) 1996.

Talking Book Magazines

Cassette

For a free subscription to these magazines, contact your cooperating library.

American Heritage (8 issues)
Analog Science Fiction and Fact (13 issues)
Asimov's Science Fiction (12 issues)
The Atlantic Monthly (monthly)
Das Beste aus *Reader's Digest* (10 issues)
Bon Appétit (monthly)
Buenhogar (monthly)
Choice Magazine Listening (on loan from cooperating libraries, bimonthly)
Consumer Reports (monthly)
Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (bimonthly)
Cricket (for children, on one cassette with National Geographic World (monthly)
Diabetes Forecast (monthly)
Discover (monthly)
Ebony (monthly)
Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)
Foreign Affairs (quarterly)
Good Housekeeping (monthly plus special issues)
Health and Nutrition Newsletters (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, Healthline, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty,** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter, monthly**)
Journal Français (monthly)
Magazine of the Month (monthly)
Money (monthly plus special issues)
The Musical Mainstream (quarterly)
The Nation (47 issues)
National Geographic (monthly)
National Geographic World (for children and teens, on one cassette with **Cricket,** monthly)
National Review (biweekly)
New Choices: Living Even Better after Fifty (10 issues)
The New York Times Book Review (weekly)
Outdoor Life (monthly)
People Weekly (weekly plus special issues)
QST (monthly)
Quarterly Music Magazine (quarterly)
Selecciones del Reader's Digest (monthly)
Sélections du *Reader's Digest* (monthly)
Smart Computing (monthly)

Spider: The Magazine for Children (monthly)
Sports Illustrated (weekly plus special issues)
Sports Illustrated for Kids (monthly)
Stereo Review's Sound and Vision (10 issues)
Talking Book Topics (bimonthly, also contains selections from NLS *News* irregularly)
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	Sacramento	800-952-5666	(916) 654-0640
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Georgia	Atlanta	800-248-6701	(404) 756-4619
Hawaii	Honolulu	800-559-4096	(808) 733-8444
Guam	Agana		(671) 475-4753
Idaho	Boise	800-233-4931	(208) 334-2117
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New York	Albany	800-342-3688	(518) 474-5935
	New York City		(212) 206-5400
North Carolina	Raleigh	888-388-2460	(919) 733-4376
North Dakota	Bismarck	800-843-9948	(701) 328-1408
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	Cleveland	800-362-1262	(216) 623-2911
Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	800-523-0288	(405) 521-3514
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Tennessee	Nashville	800-342-3308	(615) 741-3915
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New NLS Reference Publications

The following revised and updated publications are now available upon request from the NLS Reference Section.

Facts: Books for Blind and Physically Handicapped Individuals 2001, a factsheet describing the NLS program and outlining eligibility requirements, is available in regular print and in braille, and can be provided on computer diskette.

Blindness and Visual Impairments: Information and Advocacy Organizations 2001 is a circular available in large print.

Magazines in Special Media 2000 is available in large print; recorded and braille editions are planned for later in 2001.

Sources of Custom-Produced Books: Braille, Audio Recordings, and Large Print 2001, formerly titled *Volunteers Who Produce Books*, is available in large print; a braille version is planned for later in 2001.

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Cassettes Nonfiction

William Cooper's Town: Power and Persuasion on the Frontier of the Early American Republic RC 47225
by Alan Taylor
read by Dan Bloom
5 cassettes
Portrays the life of wealthy land speculator and politician William Cooper, who rose from humble origins to prominence as the founder of Cooperstown, New York. The spectacular rise and later decline of Cooper's fortunes inspired the writings of his author son, James Fenimore Cooper. Winner of the 1996 Pulitzer Prize. 1995.

The American Way of Death Revisited RC 47523
by Jessica Mitford
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
In this revision of 1963's *The American Way of Death (RC 21457)*, the author examines corruption in the funeral industry. Presents the large chains and the myths they propagate to obtain wealth. Discusses the history of funerals, cremation, and the role of the Federal Trade Commission. Includes a directory of nonprofit funeral and memorial societies by state. 1998.

Saints and Sinners: A History of the Popes RC 47645
by Eamon Duffy
read by Don Feldheim
5 cassettes
Overview of the papacy from Saint Peter to Pope John Paul II. Traces the evolution of the institution, its influence in history, and the political and spiritual power of the office. Includes a glossary and chronological list of popes. 1997.

The Barbarian Conversion: From Paganism to Christianity RC 48040
by Richard Fletcher
read by Nanette Savard
5 cassettes
History of Christianity from its inception in the Mediterranean world of the Roman Empire to its spread across Europe. Explains how it carried Roman and Mediterranean customs and values to northwestern Europe. Asserts the ensuing merger of Christian and "barbarian" concepts founded a new civilization. 1997.

I Will Bear Witness: A Diary of the Nazi Years, 1933–1941 RC 48053
by Victor Klemperer
read by Michael Consoli
5 cassettes
Klemperer, a professor of Romance languages in Dresden, presents portions of the diaries he kept in his youth. Chronicles everyday life in Nazi Germany, where—even after his conversion and marriage to a Protestant—government restrictions slowly stifled his life. Describes the kindness of some Germans and being saved by the bombing of Dresden. 1998.

Honey, Hush! An Anthology of African American Women's Humor RC 48155
edited by Daryl Cumber Dance
read by Samarra Mbenga
5 cassettes
Assemblage of wit and wisdom from various types of written and oral tradition, spanning genres from poetry to political commentaries. Relays anecdotes from personal experiences as well as fiction. Includes works of Bessie Smith, Maya Angelou, and Terry McMillan. Foreword by Nikki Giovanni. Some strong language. 1998.

Russia RC 48604
by Michael Kort
read by Lindsay Ellison
2 cassettes
Introduces the history of Russia, including its political upheavals and economic development and the impact of its transition to a free-market system on its people and future. Also contains a chronology. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1998.

Zane Grey: Romancing the West RC 48694
by Stephen J. May
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
Biography of the popular author discusses how he spent his youth fishing and hunting near Zanesville, Ohio, a town named after his pioneer ancestor. Grey became a dentist at his father's insistence but later returned to his love of writing. Tells how *Riders of the Purple Sage (RC 17362)* became his first bestseller in 1912. Bestseller 1997.

American Bandstand: Dick Clark and the Making of a Rock 'n' Roll Empire RC 48752
by John A. Jackson
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Chronicles the career of Dick Clark from a little-known radio disc jockey to the host of the national teen dance show *American Bandstand*. Explores Clark's nonstop pursuit of wealth, his escape from the 1959 payola scandal, and his business affairs after the popularity of the show decreased. 1997.

Garth Brooks: The Road out of Santa Fe RC 48788
by Matt O'Meilia
read by Don Emmick
1 cassette
Former drummer in a band called Santa Fe describes the early career of the group's country western singer. O'Meilia recalls meeting Garth Brooks in Stillwater, Oklahoma, in 1986, appearing with him during the next year, and being impressed with the singer's determination to succeed even after a series of failures. Some strong language. 1997.

A Country of Strangers: Blacks and Whites in America RC 49062
by David K. Shipler
read by Bob Moore
5 cassettes
Pulitzer Prize-winning author Shipler examines attitudes toward race relations in America. Explores how blacks and whites view each other, how perceptions are shaped from birth, and how interpretations of others' behavior are often based on prior assumptions, even among unbiased individuals. Also considers multiracial families and religious minorities and their reactions to social stereotypes. 1997.

To Shining Sea: A History of the United States Navy, 1775–1998 RC 49063
by Stephen Howarth
read by Ted Stoddard
5 cassettes
A history of the United States Navy from the Revolutionary War to the Persian Gulf conflict. Includes discussion of naval adventures, strategic development, and technology as well as the relationship between the armed service and the American public. 1999.

My Experiences in the First World War RC 49069
by John J. Pershing
read by Robert Sams
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Then General of the Armies chronicles the United States's involvement in the "Great War" from Woodrow Wilson's 1917 appointment of Pershing to command the American Expeditionary Forces in France through the armistice in 1918. Won the 1932 Pulitzer Prize for history under the title *My Experiences in the World War*. 1931.

Leo Rosten's Carnival of Wit and Wisdom: Plus Wisecracks, Ad-Libs, Malaprops, Puns, One-Liners, Quips, Epigrams, Boo-Boos, Dazzling Ironies, and Wizardries of Wording, Plus Surprising Tidbits from Politics, Philosophy, Biography, and (Yes!) Gossip—from Aristotle to Woody Allen RC 49081
compiled by Leo Rosten
read by Terence Aselford
3 cassettes
Over 5,000 items to tickle your funny bone. 1994.

The Gulag Archipelago, 1918–1956: An Experiment in Literary Investigation; Volume 1, Parts 1–2 RC 49269
by Aleksandr I. Solzhenitsyn
read by Ken Kliban
6 cassettes (Reissue)
A scathing portrayal of the Soviet prison system drawn from eyewitness accounts and the Nobel Prize winner's own recollection of his eleven-year internment in the Archipelago. Prequel to *The Gulag . . .Volume 2, Parts 3–4 (RC 49270)*. Bestseller 1973.

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Indictment of totalitarian society by the Nobel Prize-winning author who was deported from the Soviet Union in 1974. Sequel to *The Gulag . . . Volume 1, Parts 1–2 (RC 49269)*. 1975.

Dancing in the Water of Life: Seeking Peace in the Hermitage; the Journals of Thomas Merton, Volume 5, 1963–1965 RC 49273
by Thomas Merton
read by Gordon Gould
4 cassettes
In these diaries the monk and author chronicles the years during which he struggled to reconcile his life of contemplation with his interest in the reform movements of the church and society. As Merton pondered the "absurdity" of worldly concerns, he continued to enjoy "dancing in the water of life." 1997.

The Puzzlemaster Presents Two Hundred Mind-Bending Challenges from NPR RC 49284
by Will Shortz
read by Timothy Lynch
1 cassette
Audio puzzles from National Public Radio's *Weekend Edition Sunday*. Includes word games that take some thought. For example, "change one letter in each word to name a color" and "every answer in this puzzle is a word or name that ends in the letters *que*." 1996.

The Americans: The Democratic Experience RC 49285
by Daniel J. Boorstin
read by Robert Sams
7 cassettes in 2 containers
In this sequel to *The Americans: The National Experience (RC 47247)*, historian Boorstin covers American history since the Civil War. He discusses how Americans found a new way of holding together through "countless little-noticed revolutions" that created "communities of consumers" touching countrymen everywhere and every day in their new democratic world. 1973.

A Better War: The Unexamined Victories and Final Tragedy of America's Last Years in Vietnam RC 49293
by Lewis Sorley
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
Recounts the latter half of the Vietnam War, after General Creighton Abrams assumed command in 1968. Describes how Abrams abandoned the prevailing strategy of attrition in favor of protecting the South Vietnamese and bolstering their military. Asserts that America had the war won by late 1971 but failed to secure the advantage. 1999.

The Vietnam Reader: The Definitive Collection of American Fiction and Nonfiction on the War RC 49295
edited by Stewart O'Nan
read by Steven Carpenter
4 cassettes
Depicts the American war in Vietnam through fiction, nonfiction, poetry, drama, descriptions of films, and popular song lyrics. Collected works provide a historical reference tool and overview of the conflict and its impact on American culture. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. 1998.

Véra (Mrs. Vladimir Nabokov) RC 49299
by Stacy Schiff
read by Michael Scherer
4 cassettes
The biography of Véra is largely the portrait of her fifty-two-year literary marriage with Russian author Vladimir Nabokov. Relates the main events of their relationship where she was wife, muse, editor, translator, and publishing agent. Notes her lifelong devotion to her husband's work and her preference for privacy. Pulitzer Prize. 1999.

Walter Benjamin at the Dairy Queen: Reflections at Sixty and Beyond
RC 49319
by Larry McMurtry
read by Arnie Warren
1 cassette
Reading Benjamin's essay "The Storyteller" leads McMurtry to reflect on the decline of oral tradition in twentieth-century life. He discusses his experiences with books—as a reader, author, and bookdealer—and his feelings about his ancestors, his open-heart surgery, cowboys, and the open spaces of Texas. 1999.

Real Food for People with Diabetes
RC 49328
by Doris Cross
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Recipes by an author who had written about low-fat cookery before she was diagnosed with diabetes. In this volume, she modifies her favorites to accommodate her condition and still satisfy her family. Includes some 170 foods from appetizers to desserts. 1997.

A Tramp Abroad RC 49345
by Mark Twain
read by Anne Hancock
3 cassettes
Mark Twain constructs a tour through Germany, Switzerland, France, and Italy. Integrates humor, autobiography, and history to entertain. 1880.

The Gutenberg Elegies: The Fate of Reading in an Electronic Age RC 49350
by Sven Birkerts
read by Lindsay Ellison
2 cassettes
Essays exploring ways in which modern information technologies are fundamentally transforming both traditional literary culture and the general practice of reading and writing. Attests to the essential value of literature and laments its displacement by the pervasive electronic media. 1994.

Bosnia: Fractured Region RC 49354
by Eric Black
read by Dan Bloom
1 cassette
Examines the history and culture of the former country of Yugoslavia in order to make sense of the 1990s conflicts there, some of which involved "ethnic cleansing." Discusses opposing viewpoints among its residents and assesses future prospects for the area. For senior high and older readers. 1999.

Close to the Wind RC 49357
by Pete Goss
read by Jeremy Gage
2 cassettes
Former Royal Marine describes his work toward the goal of sailing in the Vendée Globe, a single-handed round-the-world race. During the realization of his dream, Goss risks both the race and his own life by heroically saving a fellow competitor whose boat sank in a storm. Strong language. 1998.

Shania Twain RC 49365
by Michael McCall
read by Mary Ann Nichols
1 cassette
Biography of the Canadian country-pop singer-songwriter who, after an unspectacular 1993 debut album, gained widespread fame and awards with her second album, which was expensively produced by her now-husband Robert Lange. Details such controversies as the dismissal of her manager and Twain's initial claim of being Native American. 1999.

Flu: The Story of the Great Influenza Pandemic of 1918 and the Search for the Virus That Caused It RC 49373
by Gina Kolata
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
A science reporter for the *New York Times* describes how a mysterious virus, nicknamed the "Spanish flu," killed 20–100 million people worldwide, leaving no clue to its origins. Striking during wartime in 1918, the epidemic affected young adults disproportionately. Discusses other historic plagues and the possibility of future pandemic scourges. 1999.

Peace and War: Reminiscences of a Life on the Frontiers of Science RC 49378
by Robert Serber
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
Memoir of a key member of the Manhattan Project scientific team, who assembled the bombs that were dropped on Japan in 1945. Recounts the development and testing of the atomic bomb, its use and effects on the Japanese population, and the postwar controversy that surrounded this revolutionary weapon of war. 1998.

Happy Alchemy: On the Pleasures of Music and the Theatre RC 49381
by Robertson Davies
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
Thirty-three pieces on the theater, opera, and music. Includes speeches, prologs to plays, articles, a discussion of folk song, a ghost story set to music, and ideas for a film scenario. Also contains selections from Davies's theater diaries going behind the scenes. 1997.

Night Falls Fast: Understanding Suicide RC 49382
by Kay Redfield Jamison
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
Examines the cultural history of suicide, biological and psychological factors, and effects on survivors. Focuses on victims younger than forty. Includes case studies, literary quotations, and insights from the author's personal experience. Proposes ways in which society could address this increasingly prevalent problem. 1999.

Before the Storm: American Indians before the Europeans RC 49390
by Allison Lassieur
read by Rick Foucheux
1 cassette
Based on archaeologic and ethnographic evidence, an account of the people living in North America prior to 1492. Presented by geographic area, describes what is known about the lives of the inhabitants, including their villages, foods, and societies. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Seasons of Her Life: A Biography of Madeleine Korbel Albright RC 49511
by Ann Blackman
read by Barbara Rappaport
3 cassettes
A personal profile of the secretary of state under President Bill Clinton. Albright was born to a diplomat in Czechoslovakia whose family twice fled to avoid persecution—first from the Nazis and later from the Communists. Traces her family history, including her discovery that her grandparents perished in the Holocaust. 1998.

Tournament of Shadows: The Great Game and the Race for Empire in Central Asia RC 49535
by Karl E. Meyer and Shareen Blair Brysac
read by Ralph Lowenstein
5 cassettes
The authors chronicle the struggle between Great Britain and Russia over control of central Asia, beginning in the nineteenth century and continuing through the cold war. They examine the activities of adventurers, explorers, and statesmen in Tibet, Lhasa, Afghanistan, and surrounding areas, who spied for their respective countries. 1999.

Death and Dying: Opposing Viewpoints RC 49583
edited by Paul A. Winters
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Examines a range of perspectives and opinions on topics related to the end of life. Presents opposing outlooks on such issues as physician-assisted suicide, near-death experiences, and grief. Challenges readers to confront and understand conflicting points of view. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

Jubal: The Life and Times of General Jubal A. Early, CSA, Defender of the Lost Cause RC 49679
by Charles C. Osborne
read by Michael Scherer
4 cassettes
Biography of Confederate general Jubal Early, concentrating on his military exploits and his rejection of reconstruction and amnesty after the Civil War. Discusses Early's personal eccentricity, his refusal to accept blame for military blunders, and his later success in promoting the myth of the "lost cause." 1992.

The Fat of the Land: Our Health Crisis and How Overweight Americans Can Help Themselves RC 49686
by Michael Fumento
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
An overview of obesity, "the most common chronic health problem in America," affecting one-third of all adults. Examines the causes and consequences of excess body weight, debunks many popular fad diets, and denounces pro-obesity movements. Urges a commonsense approach to weight control: eat wisely and exercise. 1997.

Gray Ghost: The Life of Col. John Singleton Mosby RC 49691
by James A. Ramage
read by Michael Russotto
4 cassettes
Biography of Confederate colonel John Singleton Mosby, who led the 43rd Battalion Virginia Partisan Rangers in guerrilla operations against Union forces in northern Virginia. Mosby, who had no military training, specialized in night raids aimed at disrupting enemy battle plans and supply trains. 1999.

From Botswana to the Bering Sea: My Thirty Years with *National Geographic* RC 49705
by Thomas Y. Canby
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Memoir of a career as a *National Geographic* writer and science editor. Describes behind-the-scenes work at headquarters in Washington, D.C., where Canby started in 1961, and recounts some of his adventures and misadven-

tures as a world traveler on assignment. 1998.

Vincent Price: A Daughter's Biography RC 49706
by Victoria Price
read by Mary Kane
4 cassettes
Biography of Renaissance man Vincent Price by his daughter. Traces the family history, Price's childhood in St. Louis, his time at Yale University, and his career in theater and later Hollywood. Discusses his "greylisting" during the McCarthy period and his passion for art, as well as his children and multiple marriages. 1999.

The Punic Wars RC 49722
by Don Nardo
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Describes the three wars between Rome and Carthage during the third and second centuries B.C., which took a devastating toll on resources and manpower and ended in total annihilation of one of the powers. Includes Hannibal's crossing of the Alps in 218 B.C. For senior high and older readers. 1996.

Natural History: A Selection RC 49728
by Pliny the Elder
read by Gordon Gould
4 cassettes
An encyclopedic overview of Roman scientific understanding during the first century A.D. By the author's estimate, this work presents some two hundred thousand facts about astronomy, geography, zoology, botany, medicine, art, and architecture. Discussions are enlivened with anecdotes and personal commentary. 1991.

Einstein's Daughter: The Search for Lieserl RC 49735
by Michele Zackheim
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
On the basis of the revelation in the 1980s that Albert Einstein and his Serbian first wife, Mileva, had an illegitimate daughter, Lieserl, born in 1902, the author spent five years tracking down clues to determine what became of her. Zackheim presents her findings and conclusion. 1999.

A Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius RC 49737
by Dave Eggers
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
An unconventional first-person account of a young man who takes on the responsibility of raising his eight-year-old brother, Toph, after both parents die of cancer. Amid frequent digressions, the author recalls their family dynamics, his aspirations to become a writer, and an experimental 'zine, *Might*. Strong language. Bestseller 2000.

The American President RC 49738
by Philip B. Kunhardt and others
read by Rick Foucheux
4 cassettes
Companion to a PBS television series; a survey of U.S. presidents using a thematic, rather than chronological, approach. In ten chapters, the chief executives are grouped by campaign style, challenges faced, or other circumstances that shaped their public image. Different historical periods are represented in each category. 1999.

The Examined Life: Readings from Western Philosophy from Plato to Kant RC 49741
edited by Stanley Rosen
read by Annie Wauters
5 cassettes
Representative texts by major philosophers grouped into six categories: social and political thought, religion, art and culture, metaphysics, epistemology, and science. Each section is prefaced with an introduction to the topic. Includes excerpts from works by Aristotle, Hobbes, Augustine, Kierkegaard, Nietzsche, Hegel, Wittgenstein, Descartes, Kuhn, and Ayala, among others. 2000.

Lady Bird: A Biography of Mrs. Johnson RC 49783
by Jan Jarboe Russell
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
Portrait of a first lady. Examines how marriage to Lyndon Baines Johnson defined her. Discusses Mrs. Johnson's family background and her roles as wife, mother, businesswoman, and conservationist. Also relates LBJ's marital infidelities and Lady Bird's reactions to them. 1999.

The Thieves' Opera RC 49794
by Lucy Moore
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Eighteenth-century London. Two notorious criminals operate in the seamy underground of the capital: Jonathan Wild is the "thief-taker general," whose criminal organization colludes with the corrupt police, while Jack Sheppard is a freelance robber who becomes infamous for his prison escapes and daring crimes. Some violence. 1997.

Yonder: Essays RC 49799
by Siri Hustvedt
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Six pieces by a Norwegian American novelist and poet contemplating a variety of aesthetic experiences. Reveals her thought processes while actively exploring such activities as forming memories, viewing a painting, and reading literature. 1998.

Explorer Leader Handbook RC 49836
by Boy Scouts of America
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Handbook for advisors and youth leaders of Explorer Scouts. Describes the role of an advisor to an Explorer post in setting up the post and training the youth leaders. Discusses the nature of Exploring and the responsibilities of officers, and tells how to plan and conduct a successful meeting. 1991.

Love's Apprentice RC 49838
by Shirley Abbott
read by Faith Potts
2 cassettes
A woman's memoir of her introduction to the world of romance, love, and sex. Chronicles the influence of movies and literature on her early development, her sensual involvement with a college roommate, her year abroad in Paris, her marriage, and the experience of becoming a mother. Some strong language. 1998.

Summer of '98: When Homers Flew, Records Fell, and Baseball Reclaimed America RC 49844
by Mike Lupica
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Sportswriter and his three sons eagerly

follow the amazing 1998 baseball season, which included the McGwire-Sosa home run duel, David Wells's perfect game, the end of Cal Ripken's streak, and the New York Yankees' World Series victory. 1999.

Butch Cassidy: A Biography RC 49845
by Richard Patterson
read by Rick Foucheux
3 cassettes
Separates the reality from the myths about the legendary outlaw. Contrasts his Mormon family background with his long criminal record, detailing his years with the Wild Bunch and the Sundance Kid. Discusses Butch Cassidy's supposed reappearance in the United States after the shoot-out in Boliva. 1998.

FDR and His Enemies RC 49846
by Albert Fried
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Depicts Franklin Roosevelt's struggles to protect his progressive presidency against challenges from five powerful rivals: New York governor Al Smith, radio priest Charles Coughlin, Louisiana senator Huey Long, aviation hero Charles Lindbergh, and labor leader John L. Lewis. Avers that FDR prevailed because he better understood the needs of the American people. 1999.

The Coffee Book: Anatomy of an Industry from Crop to the Last Drop RC 49855
by Gregory Dicum and Nina Luttinger
read by Michael Consoli
2 cassettes
Examines the coffee industry, from the beverage's origins up through the specialty coffee craze. Discusses aspects such as caffeine addiction, marketing techniques, working conditions for coffee farmers, and international trade. 1999.

Varsity Scout Leader Guidebook RC 49858
by Boy Scouts of America
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
Qualifications and responsibilities for the adult leader of Boy Scouts ages fourteen through seventeen. Explains the program and planning objectives, discusses leadership and age-appropriate behavior, and provides a parent's guide to protecting offspring from child abuse. 1996.

Morgan: American Financier RC 49869
by Jean Strouse
read by Lou Harpenau
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Biography of the powerful capitalist banker of the Gilded Age, who transformed the United States from an agrarian society into a powerful industrial state. Relates how Pierpont Morgan financed the robber barons and rescued the country from the panic of 1901, while amassing a huge personal art collection. 1999.

The Educated Child: A Parent's Guide from Preschool through Eighth Grade RC 49890
by William J. Bennett and others
read by Butch Hoover
5 cassettes
Maintaining that the years before high school are the most important for basic learning, the authors describe areas within core subjects that a pupil should master at each age. Suggests ways for parents to stay involved in their children's progress and to ensure they are receiving a good education. 1999.

Coming Apart: An Informal History of America in the 1960s RC 49903
by William L. O'Neill
read by Barry Bernson
4 cassettes (Reissue)
A journalistic survey dealing with foreign relations, domestic politics, and the counterculture in the early 1960s. Though the emphasis is on political rather than cultural history, sports and pop entertainment are included. 1971.

Home Comforts: The Art and Science of Keeping House RC 49911
by Cheryl Mendelson
read by Kerry Cundiff
10 cassettes in 2 containers
Helpful hints on a range of domestic topics—planning and preparing meals, doing laundry, cleaning each room in a home, preserving books and furniture, caring for pets, fire safety, and many others. Includes guidelines for both the novice and longtime housekeeper and bits of wisdom gained from older relatives. Bestseller 1999.

Shaking a Leg: Collected Writings RC 49912
by Angela Carter
read by Jill Fox
6 cassettes
A substantial selection of Carter's journalism—articles, criticism, personal essays, and reviews—from the 1960s until her death in 1992. These cultural and social commentaries are grouped under broad categories: body languages, food fetishes, home and away, traveling, Japan, America, screen and dream, stories and tellers, writers and readers. Some strong language. 1997.

The Millionaire Mind RC 49942
by Thomas J. Stanley
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
In this companion to *The Millionaire Next Door (RC 43944)* the author explores people with a "millionaire mindset"—those who focus upon accumulating wealth. His nationwide survey examines such factors as academic performance, career selection, family and social relationships, lifestyle, and the ability to conquer fear. Bestseller 2000.

Floods, Famines, and Emperors: El Niño and the Fate of Civilizations RC 49950
by Brian Fagan
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
Investigates the connection between deadly weather phenomena and anthropology. Discusses the historical impact of methods used by various ancient civilizations to adapt to stressful climatic changes. Describes monsoons in India; famines in ancient Egypt; droughts in the American Southwest, which destroyed the Anasazi; and "El Niño," which has serious effects worldwide. 1999.

The Code Book: The Evolution of Secrecy from Mary Queen of Scots to Quantum Cryptography RC 49955
by Simon Singh
read by Dennis Rooney
3 cassettes
Charts the history of ciphers and the ongoing battle between codemakers and codebreakers, which has spurred corresponding technological development. Relates tales of political intrigue and historical turning points in which codes played a role. Also discusses the contin-

uing importance of encryption in the digital world. 1999.

Fit Happens: Strategies for Living a Healthier, Happier, Fitter Life
RC 49961
by Joanie Greggains
read by Nona Pipes
2 cassettes
Host of television and radio fitness shows stresses substituting smart choices for bad habits—making positive lifestyle choices every day. She provides commonsense instructions on how to eat right and exercise enough, warning against fad diets and other fitness gimmicks. 2000.

A Vast Conspiracy: The Real Story of the Sex Scandal that Nearly Brought Down a President RC 49966
by Jeffrey Toobin
read by Michael Russotto
4 cassettes
A behind-the-scenes account of the scandals surrounding President Bill Clinton. Toobin examines the Paula Jones case, Kenneth Starr's investigations, and the president's relationship with Monica Lewinsky in detail. He concludes that "Clinton was, by comparison, the good guy in this struggle," the victim of powerful forces from the right. Some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Doomed at the Start: American Pursuit Pilots in the Philippines, 1941–1942
RC 49970
by William H. Bartsch
read by Steven Carpenter
4 cassettes
A history of the 24th Pursuit Group squadron of the U.S. Army Air Corps, which was stationed in the Philippines when World War II broke out. Chronicles the destruction of the American-Philippine Army on Bataan and Corregidor after five months of fighting. Describes the pilots' heroism along with their fates. 1992.

Five Thousand Days like This One: An American Family History RC 49980
by Jane Brox
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
The author depicts the lives of her parents and Lebanese immigrant grandparents, who worked as textile mill laborers before settling down on a hardscrabble farm in the Merrimack Valley of Massachusetts. She wistfully reflects on the suffering and uncertainties of their harsh existence. 1999.

Kahlil Gibran, Man and Poet: A New Biography RC 50020
by Suheil Bushrui and Joe Jenkins
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes
Biography of the poet, artist, and mystic. Describes his relatively short life—he was born in a Lebanese village in 1883 and died in New York in 1931. Discusses his writings and artistic temperament. Analyzes his fame in the Arab-speaking world and his popularity in the West. 1998.

A Resource Book for Senior Girl Scouts
RC 50039
by Girl Scouts of the U.S.A.
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Guidebook for Girl Scouts fourteen years and older. Explains the organization and offers suggestions for community service projects. Includes advice on physical and emotional health, career choices, and skills for living. For senior high readers. 1995.

For the Time Being RC 50052
by Annie Dillard
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Reflections on the coexistence of God and evil and how an individual fits into the scheme of things. Recounts a trip to Israel, visits to an obstetrical ward, and a paleontologist's story, as well as a discussion of Teilhard de Chardin and the Baal Shem Tov. 1999.

My Garden (Book) RC 50062
by Jamaica Kincaid
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
A series of meditations and reminiscences on the art of gardening, with a little history thrown in. Kincaid, whose attachment to gardening began when her husband gave her some tools and seeds for Mother's Day, discusses the continual creation of her garden, and why it will never be the garden in her mind's eye. 1999.

Rich Dad, Poor Dad: What the Rich Teach Their Kids about Money—That the Poor and Middle Class Do Not! RC 50090
by Robert T. Kiyosaki
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
Investor describes how he learned about money from his Ph.D. father, who could never retain wealth, and also from his friend's father, who was a millionaire with an eighth grade education. Explains how to make your money work for you by mastering financial literacy and taking charge. Bestseller 1997.

Essentials of Cooking RC 50091
by James Peterson
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
Rather than offering a collection of recipes, Peterson presents a series of basic instructions for various cooking methods. Includes peeling and cutting fruits and vegetables; making sauces and stews; and roasting, grilling, frying, sautéing, or poaching fruits, meats, and vegetables. Also includes kitchen notes and tips. 1999.

Fair Ball: A Fan's Case for Baseball RC 50094
by Bob Costas
read by James Leary
1 cassette
Emmy Award-winning broadcaster outlines what he believes is wrong with baseball and offers some cures. Includes suggestions for a new contract in 2001 between owners and players, which includes revenue-sharing, salary basements and ceilings, modification of rules, and realignments of schedules. Bestseller 2000.

A Soldier's Story RC 50099
by Omar N. Bradley
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
Memoirs of "GI's General," Omar Nelson Bradley, on his campaigns in World War II, including the conquest of Africa, the invasion of Sicily, D Day at Normandy, the liberation of Paris, the Battle of the Bulge, and the German surrender. Discusses tactics and maneuvers, as well as fellow officers. 1951.

Star Trek on the Brain: Alien Minds, Human Minds RC 50105
by Robert Sekuler and Randolph Blake
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Uses segments from the TV and movie series to explain brain functions and psychological phenomena. Examines nonhuman life forms and their cultural customs as a means of studying human beings from a different perspective. Contains a glossary of main characters and a list of *Star Trek* episodes. 1998.

Fibroids: The Complete Guide to Taking Charge of Your Physical, Emotional, and Sexual Well-Being RC 50107
by Johanna Skilling
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
Researching fibroids after her own diagnosis, the author compiled information from doctors and patients on the symptoms, treatments, and impact of having solid lumps of muscle and connective tissue growing in and around the uterus. Usually benign, the tumors affect at least 25 percent and possibly 75 percent of women. 2000.

Electro Shock! Groundbreakers of Synth Music RC 50113
by Greg Rule
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
This survey of synthesizer music offers profiles of seventeen performers, compiled from *Keyboard* magazine, and discusses the electronic instruments used. Presents interviews with Nine Inch Nails, Mark Snow of the *X-Files*, and Depeche Mode, among others. Includes a listening guide. For senior high and older readers. 1999.

Andy Kaufman Revealed! Best Friend Tells All RC 50114
by Bob Zmuda
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Longtime friend and writer for the late comic (who is best known for his role on the sitcom *Taxi*) discusses the work they did together before Kaufman died of cancer at thirty-five in 1984. Zmuda is coexecutive producer for *Man on the Moon*, a movie about Kaufman. Strong language. 1999.

The Simply Gourmet Diabetes Cookbook: Easy, Healthy Recipes and Menus for People with Diabetes and Those Who Love Them RC 50115
by Mary Donkersloot
read by Patricia McDermott
4 cassettes
A nutritionist discusses how to live well with diabetes and offers hundreds of recipes (with nutritional analyses and exchanges) for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks. Includes suggested menus and shopping tips. 1998.

Cassette Books, 1999 RC 50116
by National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
read by Butch Hoover
4 cassettes
A catalog of talking books produced on cassette for adult and young adult readers during 1999. The nonfiction and fiction sections list books by subject categories. Separate listings identify books for young adult readers and for Spanish readers. 1999.

The Lost Art of Healing RC 50125
by Bernard Lown
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
A cardiologist asserts that the medical

profession has broken down because doctors are relying unduly on technology, rather than examining and listening to patients. He relates anecdotes about his elderly patients to reinforce the importance of getting to know the person behind the symptoms. 1996.

The Assault on Parenthood: How Our Culture Undermines the Family
RC 50126
by Dana Mack
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
After interviewing parents across the country, the author asserts that millions of them believe the crisis of youth could be solved if government and social institutions allowed families to provide children the needed love, time, protection, and authoritative guidance. Included are seven pro-family proposals. 1997.

Dealers of Lightning: Xerox PARC and the Dawn of the Computer Age
RC 50127
by Michael Hiltzik
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
An inside view of Xerox's Palo Alto Research Center (PARC), renowned as a Silicon Valley hotbed of technological development. Traces the facility's evolution from its inception in 1970, describing some eccentricities of the brilliant pioneers in the field of personal computers and related breakthroughs. Alleges that the corporation failed to exploit PARC's inventions. 1999.

The Sonnets RC 50129
by William Shakespeare
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
The complete collection of 154 sonnets attributed to Shakespeare, without commentary. Sonnets 1 to 126 are addressed to a beloved friend—a young man—while Sonnets 127 to 152 are to a lady of dark beauty, and the last two poems are adaptations of a Greek epigram. 1609.

Natural Childbirth the Bradley Way
RC 50133
by Susan McCutcheon
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Describes a natural childbirth method begun in the late 1940s by Dr. Robert Bradley. Unlike the Lamaze technique, the Bradley procedure is drug free in most cases. The author, who has been teaching this method since 1970, gives detailed instructions and practice exercises for women and their coaches. 1996.

America the Wise: The Longevity Revolution and the True Wealth of Nations RC 50134
by Theodore Roszak
read by Randy Davidson
2 cassettes
A historian's optimistic outlook on the social and economic consequences of the aging of the baby-boom generation. Expresses the hope that a healthier, wealthier, better educated, and politically influential older population can help build a more humane society. Exhorts seniors to become agents of positive change. 1998.

The Plutonium Files: America's Secret Medical Experiments in the Cold War
RC 50138
by Eileen Welsome
read by Butch Hoover
4 cassettes
Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist chronicles her investigation of eighteen hu-

man subjects who were unwittingly injected with plutonium between 1945 and 1947. She depicts the cultural and political context of the era and examines the complex issues raised that go to the core of democratic society. 1999.

One Hundred Days: My Unexpected Journey from Doctor to Patient
RC 50142
by David Biro
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Biro describes how an odd flashing in his eye troubled him when he was a thirty-one-year-old neophyte dermatologist. After Biro was finally diagnosed with an unusual paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria, his doctors then disagreed on the best treatment option. Choosing a bone-marrow transplant, Biro faced the critical one-hundred-day recovery period. 2000.

Timeless Healing: The Power and Biology of Belief RC 50143
by Herbert Benson
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
The author of *Beyond the Relaxation Response (RC 22254)* describes how self-care can be combined with pharmaceuticals, surgery, and other procedures to help the healing process. Self-care methods include a belief in "something good," the placebo effect of "remembered wellness," and religious convictions that enhance the relaxation response. 1996.

Hiroshima RC 50148
by John Hersey
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
A Pulitzer Prize-winning author's updated account of the tragedy of the world's first atomic bomb. In 1945, while the ashes of Hiroshima were still warm, Hersey traveled to Japan to interview survivors, whose narratives articulate the devastating aftermath. The last chapter was added nearly forty years later. 1985.

A Field Guide for the Sight-Impaired Reader: A Comprehensive Resource for Students, Teachers, and Librarians
RC 50149
by Andrew Leibs
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
Identifies resources available to the visually impaired student to facilitate reading. Lists appropriate agencies and publishers as well as producers of technology that assist the reader, including Internet addresses. For senior high and older readers. 1999.

The Lost Cause: The Confederate Exodus to Mexico RC 50150
by Andrew Rolle
read by Randy Davidson
2 cassettes
A historian's account of the thousands of Confederate soldiers who, unable to accept defeat, fled abroad at the conclusion of the Civil War. Encouraged by the French puppet, Emperor Maximilian, many entered Mexico to start new colonies. Relates the struggles and failures encountered by the Southerners in a hostile and foreign land. 1965.

The Pacific Rim: East Asia at the Dawn of a New Century RC 50174
by Elaine Pascoe
read by Rick Foucheux
1 cassette
Brief summaries of the historical, economic, and political importance of the countries that make up East Asia—

principally China and Taiwan, Japan, and both Koreas, as well as mainland Southeast Asia and several island nations. Discusses their relevance to the United States and others in the West. For senior high and older readers. 1999.

The Wars of the Roses RC 50186
by Alison Weir
read by Vanessa Maroney
4 cassettes
In this companion to *The Princes in the Tower (RC 40697)* Weir recounts the events that plunged fifteenth-century medieval Britain into a bloody struggle for the crown. The House of Lancaster, led by the inept King Henry VI, contended with the able duke of York, Richard Plantagenet. 1995.

Haiku: This Other World RC 50234
by Richard A. Wright
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
Collection of Richard Wright's eight hundred seventeen short poems composed in the late 1950s. In his snail haiku, he depicts mankind's relationship with nature and observes the unity and harmony among things. In "Lines of Winter Rain," the author explains that beauty can be savored. 1998.

The Space between Our Footsteps: Poems and Paintings from the Middle East RC 50238
selected by Naomi Shihab Nye
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
Anthology of more than one hundred twentieth-century poems from twenty countries, some written in English and many translated into free verse. Subjects include affection for children and family, patriotic feelings, and grief over exile. Contains brief biographical notes on the contributors. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Ten Things I Wish I'd Known—Before I Went into the Real World RC 50263
by Maria Shriver
read by Jacinda Bronaugh
1 cassette
Expands on a commencement speech given by the author. She discusses lessons she's learned since college on work, money, family, and humor. Describes life as an award-winning television journalist, author of a bestselling children's book, wife of a movie star, niece of a president, and mother of four children. Bestseller 2000.

It's Not about the Bike: My Journey Back to Life RC 50265
by Lance Armstrong
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
The internationally recognized Texan cyclist relates how a diagnosis of testicular cancer at age twenty-five changed his priorities. Recounts the major events in his life, including the ordeals of his treatment, his comeback to win the 1999 Tour de France, and his joy in being a father. Some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

In the Heart of the Sea: The Tragedy of the Whaleship *Essex* RC 50271
by Nathaniel Philbrick
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes
Relying mainly on the cabin boy's journal discovered in 1960, the author recounts the disastrous 1819 voyage of the whaling ship *Essex*. He describes the attack of an eighty-five-foot bull sperm whale, and the ensuing starvation, dehydration, and cannibalism that befell

the shipwrecked survivors. Bestseller 2000.

Papal Sin: Structures of Deceit
RC 50273
by Garry Wills
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
A Pulitzer Prize-winning author—for *Lincoln at Gettysburg (RC 35368)*—and practicing Catholic indicts the Church's hierarchy for the papal sin of deception. Calls for internal reform regarding teachings on birth control and abortion, priests' celibacy, and the ordainment of women. Challenges the Vatican's attitude toward the Holocaust. Bestseller 2000.

Raising Cain: Protecting the Emotional Life of Boys RC 50309
by Dan Kindlon and Michael Thompson
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Case studies support this discussion of the price boys pay in a culture with rigid ideals of manhood. The authors identify what youngsters need to achieve emotional integrity, and they conclude with seven points for transforming the ways boys are nurtured to better protect their emotional lives. Bestseller 1999.

Where Did I Go Right? You're No One in Hollywood Unless Someone Wants You Dead RC 50312
by Bernie Brillstein
read by Terence Aselford
3 cassettes
Brillstein reflects on his career as Hollywood agent, television and movie producer, studio head, and personal manager to John Belushi, Jim Henson, and other show-business successes. Discusses business relationships that went sour and client friendships that were cut short by untimely deaths. Strong language. Bestseller 1999.

The Measure of a Man: A Spiritual Autobiography RC 50313
by Sidney Poitier
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
The first African American actor to win an Oscar recalls his idyllic childhood in the Bahamas, his move to Florida at age fifteen, his early struggles to establish an acting career, and his later successes. Poitier reflects on the family values, ethics, and integrity that sustain him. Some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Experience RC 50335
by Martin Amis
read by David Cutler
3 cassettes
The innovative, controversial English writer remembers his father, comic novelist Kingsley Amis, and recalls events and influences in his own artistic development. Contains anecdotes about major literary figures—both his father's friends and his own—Philip Larkin, Saul Bellow, and Salman Rushdie among them. Some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul III: More Stories of Life, Love, and Learning RC 50351
edited by Jack Canfield and others
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul II (RC 47252)*, the authors present additional stories and anecdotes written by teenagers. The inspirational themes include relationships, friends and family, and overcoming ob-

stacles. For senior high and older readers. Bestseller 2000.

The Bodyguard's Story: Diana, the Crash, and the Sole Survivor RC 50352
by Trevor Rees-Jones
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
As the sole survivor of the 1997 auto accident that killed the Princess of Wales, Dodi Fayed, and their chauffeur, bodyguard Rees-Jones offers his account of the events leading up to the crash and its aftermath. He also discusses his own efforts to cope with injuries and unwelcome notoriety. Bestseller 2000.

Syndrome X: Overcoming the Silent Killer That Can Give You a Heart Attack RC 50358
by Gerald Reaven and others
read by Betty Williams
3 cassettes
Endocrinologist Reaven of Stanford explains the metabolic disorder known as insulin resistance syndrome or Syndrome X, which increases risk for heart attacks. Frequently undiagnosed, this condition is worsened by diets usually recommended for coronary health. Prescribes an appropriate nutritional plan with additional steps for reducing the syndrome's impact. 2000.

By the Color of Our Skin: The Illusion of Integration and the Reality of Race RC 50382
by Leonard Steinhorn and Barbara Diggs-Brown
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Argues that integration between blacks and whites is a myth and not a reality, based on evaluating the ways Americans live, learn, work, and think. Notes that 70 percent of African American children attend predominantly black schools. Opines that the goal of incorporating all racial groups into society is unattainable. 1999.

Chicken Soup for the Christian Family Soul: Stories to Open the Heart and Rekindle the Spirit RC 50391
by Jack Canfield and others
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Stories designed to deepen faith and nourish the soul, about people who have chosen hope over despair, offered a helping hand to someone in need, or put their faith in God against all odds. Includes tales of love, divine intervention, acts of kindness, the power of belief, and overcoming obstacles. Bestseller 2000.

A Week in the Zone RC 50447
by Barry Sears
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
In this companion to *The Zone (RC 42493)* and others, Sears presents simplified instructions for his insulin-controlling diet, asserting that trying the "Zone" for a week will create converts. Includes new research to validate the diet, which he maintains is neither high in protein nor low in carbohydrates. Bestseller 2000.

Cybill Disobedience: How I Survived Beauty Pageants, Elvis, Sex, Bruce Willis, Lies, Marriage, Motherhood, Hollywood, and the Irrepressible Urge to Say What I Think RC 50450
by Cybill Shepherd
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Actress recalls her professional life as a model and performer, as well as her family life, including marriages and af-

fairs. After over thirty years in the movie business, Cybill celebrates having survived her way. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Me Talk Pretty One Day RC 50514
by David Sedaris
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
A comic essayist and public radio commentator recalls having speech therapy forced upon him (and other "future homosexuals" with lisps) as a child, acquiring his lifelong hatred of computers, failing in an attempt at teaching, and trying to learn French while living in France. Strong language. Bestseller 2000.

The Worst-Case Scenario Survival Handbook RC 50515
by Joshua Piven and David Borgenicht
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
Techniques and planning for survival in emergencies. Basic rules include being mentally and physically prepared, having access to proper equipment, and refusing to panic. Covers medical crises, natural disasters, attacks by wild animals, and dangers that require fast escapes. Names experts interviewed about each situation. Bestseller 1999.

Payne Stewart RC 50516
by Tracey Stewart
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
The Australian wife of the late champion golfer Payne Stewart recalls his personal and professional life, including the tournaments he participated in as well as his belief in God. She tells of the faith that sustained their family following her husband's death in a 1999 air crash. Bestseller 2000.

Take Time for Your Life: A Personal Coach's Seven-Step Program for Creating the Life You Want RC 50519
by Cheryl Richardson
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
A personal coach describes how to eliminate energy drains and replace them with things that fuel you in the areas of relationships, surroundings, body, mind, spirit, work, and money. The author uses clients' stories to illustrate points and provides lists of resources. Bestseller 1998.

The Lady, Her Lover, and Her Lord RC 50543
by T.D. Jakes
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
A Christian bishop with a weekly television broadcast exhorts women to develop their three most important relationships: with themselves, with their husbands, and with God. Suggests empowerment strategies supported by biblical verses to help promote peace and healing. Offers advice on relationships for both men and women. 1998.

Reflecting the Flame RC 50642
edited by Marc Maurer
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Nine stories recounting how blind adults are creating a past upon which blind children can build their futures. A lawyer gains a better understanding of her blindness while learning how to open a milk carton, and a man discusses how to deal with things done mainly for visual effect. 1999.

For Younger Readers, 1998–1999: Braille and Talking Books RC 50716
by National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
read by Jill Fox
4 cassettes
Catalog of books for readers from preschool through grade nine, produced in braille and cassette formats during 1998 and 1999. Nonfiction and fiction books are arranged under general subject headings. Also includes separate sections for print/braille, very young readers, and young adults. 1999.

Don't Make Me Stop This Car! Adventures in Fatherhood RC 50765
by Al Roker
read by J.P. Linton
1 cassette
The *Today* show weatherman humorously describes his experiences of being a father—both to his older daughter from adoption through adolescence and to the baby conceived with his new wife after fertility treatments. Roker also reminisces about his own bus-driver father. Bestseller 2000.

***Walden; or, Life in the Woods* and *On the Duty of Civil Disobedience* RC 50835**
by Henry David Thoreau
read by Bradley Bransford
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Autobiographical record of the author's experiment in essential living at his Walden Pond retreat in the 1850s along with detailed observations of nature and his commentaries on world problems. His essay "Civil Disobedience" is a protest against government's interference with individual liberty. 1960.

India Britannica RC 50836
by Geoffrey Moorhouse
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A popular history of three centuries of British rule in India. The account begins with a description of the profoundly alien country the seventeenth-century traders encountered, traces the gradual ascension of the East India Company, and concludes with the sudden disengagement under the last viceroy, Lord Mountbatten. 1983.

Another Day RC 50838
by Eugenia Price
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette (Reissue)
The author shares her informal reflections and interpretations on those passages of the Bible that are most meaningful to her. 1984.

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Pleasure of Believing RC 47644
by Anastasia Hobbet
read by Lindsay Ellison
3 cassettes
Roberta Shea has turned her family's Wyoming ranch into a wild bird rehabilitation center. Her neighbor, sheep rancher Carl Drummond, accidently poisons some eagles while trying to rid his ranch of predatory coyotes, initiating a clash between traditional ranchers and Roberta's environmentalist friends. Based on a similar 1971 event that led to the passage of the Endangered Species Act. 1997.

***The Golden Pot* and Other Tales**
RC 47927
by E.T.A. Hoffmann
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
Five stories written between 1814 and 1822 when the German Romantic author died. Each tale explores different relations between reality and fantasy. Ritchie Robertson provides the literary context of these tales in his introductory essay. 1992.

Tidings of Comfort and Joy RC 48425
by T. Davis Bunn
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
It was supposed to be a wonderful Christmas in Hawaii for fourteen-year-old Marissa and her family. But she has come down with a mysterious illness and must spend the holiday with Gran. As they come to terms with the change in their plans, Gran tells Marissa about a Christmas many years before. 1997.

The Smiling Country RC 48506
by Elmer Kelton
read by Don Feldheim
2 cassettes
Texas, 1910. In this sequel to *The Good Old Boys (RC 48505)*, Hewey Calloway settles down and, with his nephew Tommy, runs the Circle W ranch. Hewey is seriously injured trying to prove he can still break a horse. The mishap has one benefit, though; he gets reacquainted with an old girlfriend. 1998.

Complete Stories 1874–1884 RC 48593
by Henry James
read by Annie Wauters
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Nineteen short stories originally published in periodicals. Includes "Daisy Miller: A Study," in which an innocent young American tourist scandalizes Europeans by her behavior. In "The Siege of London" James continues his examination of social convention, describing a much-divorced American widow's determination to enter English high society. 1999.

The Magic Mountain RC 48618
by Thomas Mann
read by Faith Potts
7 cassettes in 2 containers (Reissue)
Recounts the formative years of young Hans Castorp, who travels to Davos, Switzerland, for a three-week visit with his cousin Joachim Ziemssen. Instead, Hans finds himself spending seven introspective years at the tuberculosis sanatorium. New translation of *Der Zauberberg*, published in 1924 by the 1929 Nobel Prize winner. 1924.

King Suckerman RC 48674
by George P. Pelecanos
read by Chuck Young
2 cassettes
Washington, D.C., 1976. Marcus Clay owns a record store but helps his Vietnam War buddy, Dimitri Karras, deal drugs on the side. When a buy from a psychopath, Wilton Cooper, goes bad, the two flee with stolen money and Cooper's girlfriend. A showdown occurs during the city's bicentennial celebration. Strong language and violence. 1997.

In a Land of Plenty RC 48695
by Tim Pears
read by Anne Flosnik
4 cassettes
A family saga of more than forty years. After their wedding in 1952, Charles and Mary Freeman move into Hillmorton Manor in the heart of England. Their home soon fills with four children, a nanny, servants, and an occa-

sional relative. Generations advance, and the configuration of people changes. Then tragedy strikes. Strong language. 1997.

Wives of the Fishermen RC 48713
by Angela Huth
read by Jennifer Mendenhall
3 cassettes
Friends Myrtle Duns and Annie Mcleoud have continued to be close since childhood despite their different personalities. Over the years their relationship is tried by jealousy and resentment but still survives. Then Myrtle's husband dies in a fishing accident, and their friendship begins to unravel. 1998.

A Wizard in Chaos: The Rogue Wizard, Book 5 RC 48804
by Christopher Stasheff
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
As Magnus D'Armand (Gar Pike) and Dirk Dulaine continue their quest of bringing justice to oppressed people, they visit a planet that has no central government. The planet has developed into a primitive feudal system in which landowners war against each other. Sequel to *A Wizard in Peace (RC 48803)*. 1997.

The Complete Short Stories of Ernest Hemingway RC 48939
by Ernest Hemingway
read by David Hartley-Margolin
5 cassettes (Reissue)
This edition contains forty-nine stories that first appeared in a 1938 collection plus twenty-one works written after Hemingway moved to Finca Vigia in Cuba. Includes "The Snows of Kilimanjaro," "In Another Country," and "The Strange Country." 1987.

Murder Shoots the Bull: A Southern Sisters Mystery RC 49043
by Anne George
read by Cyn Delafield
2 cassettes
Petite Patricia Anne Hollowell and her plus-size sister, Mary Alice Crane, are thinking about getting involved in an investment club with neighbor Mitzi Phizer, when Mitzi's husband is accused of murdering his first wife. Of course the sisters feel they must help. And their own families create problems too. 1999.

Men beyond the Law: A Western Trio RC 49047
by Max Brand
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
A collection of three western stories originally published in the 1920s. "The Werewolf" has a spiritual element; "The Finding of Jeremy" deals with a young New Yorker seeking his fortune in the West; and "The Trail Up Old Arrowhead: A Bull Hunter Story" tells about a gentle giant of a man. 1997.

For Whom the Bell Tolls RC 49108
by Ernest Hemingway
read by Lindsay Ellison
4 cassettes (Reissue)
American Robert Jordan has joined the Republicans fighting against the Fascists during the Spanish civil war. He is on a mission to destroy a strategically located bridge with the help of a band of guerillas. At their camp he falls in love with Maria, a young torture victim. Some violence. 1940.

All This, and Heaven Too RC 49226
by Rachel Field
read by Lindsay Ellison
4 cassettes
Mademoiselle Henriette Desportes is serving as governess to the younger children of the Duc and Duchesse de Praslin in France. But in 1847 a tragedy occurs, putting her on trial for murder. When acquitted, Henriette travels to America, marries, and becomes known for her salon at Gramercy Park. Fictional account of the author's great-aunt. 1938.

The Broken Hearts Club RC 49227
by Ethan Black
read by Buzz Luttrell
2 cassettes
Psychologist Ian Bainbridge is horrified when a member of his support group for men with broken hearts murders a former sweetheart. Meanwhile, the recently jilted NYPD cop who is investigating the murder suspects that his ex-girlfriend is the killer's next target. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 1999.

The Fugitive Trail RC 49230
by Zane Grey
read by Don Feldheim
2 cassettes
Falsely accused of robbing a bank, Bruce Lockheart takes to the trail with his lover, pursued by a relentless Texas Ranger. Even as Lockheart keeps his faith in justice being done, he must foreswear his oath never to kill a lawman. Some strong language. 1957.

Motherless Brooklyn RC 49231
by Jonathan Lethem
read by Jeremy Gage
3 cassettes
Lionel Essrog, a small-time Brooklyn thug with Tourette's syndrome, seeks revenge for the murder of his boss, Frank Minna. Years ago Minna took the orphaned Essrog under his wing. Essrog now investigates a Zen temple and two aging Mafia chieftains as possible links to Minna's death. Violence and strong language. 1999.

A Fold in the Tent of the Sky RC 49255
by Michael Hale
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
Peter Abbott abandons his stage career to join Calliope Associates, a group of gifted psychics that does secret work for the government. When a series of mishaps befalls several Calliope members, Abbott uses time travel to alter the past but inadvertently changes the course of the world. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1998.

Lost in Translation RC 49282
by Nicole Mones
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Alice Mannegan, the thirty-six-year-old daughter of a racist politician, flees to China, where she works as an archaeologist's translator. While on an expedition, Alice falls in love with Professor Lin Shiyang, but their private demons fetter the couple's relationship. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Riptide RC 49287
by Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
For three hundred years a deepwater cache of pirate treasure lying off the coast of Maine has defied repeated recovery attempts. Now a modern team of high-tech explorers sets out to defeat

the booby-trapped fortress that surrounds the sunken fortune. Some strong language. 1998.

Living on the Edge: Fiction by Peace Corps Writers RC 49291
edited by John Coyne
read by Jeff Baker
3 cassettes
Stories by seventeen authors who lived in cultures ranging from the Caribbean islands to Latin America, Africa, and Asia. They portray Americans abroad, host country nationals' reactions to Americans, and volunteers' experiences living in remote societies with different customs. 1999.

Mandingo RC 49298
by Kyle Onstott
read by Robert Sams
6 cassettes (Reissue)
Warren Maxwell and his son Hammond live on an Alabama plantation where raising and selling slaves is more profitable than cotton. Hammond's alcoholic wife seeks revenge against her unfaithful husband by seducing a handsome Mandingo slave. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1958.

Cold Hit RC 49301
by Linda Fairstein
read by Faith Potts
2 cassettes
When the corpse of art gallery owner Denise Caxton is found in the Hudson River, New York assistant DA Alexandra Cooper of *Final Jeopardy (RC 42441)* teams up with detectives Chapman and Wallace to determine if Caxton's death was connected with the art world. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1999.

The Last Life RC 49303
by Claire Messud
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
Sagesse LaBasse, fifteen, lives in France where her exiled Algerian family owns a hotel. One night her grandfather loses control and shoots at a group of boisterous teenagers. The family, which also includes her handicapped brother, American mother, and harried father, slowly disintegrates. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1999.

Prize Stories 1998: The O. Henry Awards RC 49332
edited by Larry Dark
read by Kimberly Schraf
4 cassettes
Twenty stories "full of life, death, love, humor, passion, hubris, blood, guts, dirt, God, war, mystery, fear, and longing." In "Boot" a Marine Corps recruit must make a profound ethical choice that will change his life forever. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1998.

The Quiet Game RC 49340
by Greg Iles
read by Don Feldheim
4 cassettes
Widowed Houston prosecutor turned author Penn Cage returns to his Natchez, Mississippi, hometown. After stirring up trouble by commenting about an unsolved 1968 bombing of a black man, he discovers a personal reason to solve the old case. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

Hitler's Niece RC 49344
by Ron Hansen
read by Lindsay Ellison
2 cassettes
A story depicting Adolph Hitler during his rise to power, but concentrating on his unhealthy affection for his niece, Geli Raubal, who at age twenty-three is found dead in Hitler's apartment. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 1999.

The Land That Time Forgot RC 49346
by Edgar Rice Burroughs
read by Constance Crawford
3 cassettes
Three novellas including the title story as well as *The People That Time Forgot* and *Out of Time's Abyss*. Bowen Tyler Jr., with his shipmates, girl, and dog, lands on the island Caspak where time apparently stopped with the Bronze Age. There they encounter terrible animals and various orders of humans. 1924.

Cache Cañon: A Western Story RC 49349
by Lauran Paine
read by Dan Bloom
2 cassettes
Life in Constable Charley Bent's quiet town suddenly changes because of events in a nearby cañon. Stories of hidden gold and stealthy Indians take on new meaning when three mysterious strangers arrive with surveying equipment. Then crimes begin to occur and Charley investigates. 1998.

The Meeting Place RC 49353
by Janette Oke and T. Davis Bunn
read by Anne Hancock
2 cassettes
In 1753, English Catherine Price and French Louise Belleveau from neighboring colonies in Acadia meet one day in a meadow while gathering flowers for each young woman's upcoming wedding. Their friendship grows despite language differences and the prospect of war looming over the colonies. 1999.

Cecil in Space RC 49364
by Sid Hite
read by Dan Bloom
1 cassette
Cecil Rowe, seventeen, lives in a one-horse town and has just flunked his driver's test. Worse yet, his best friend Isaac is accused of defacing the courthouse sign. Cecil has a crush on the local beauty queen and doesn't realize that Isaac's sister, Isabel, is the girl for him. For senior high readers. 1999.

Keeping the Moon RC 49367
by Sarah Dessen
read by Lindsay Ellison
2 cassettes
When Colie's overweight mother, Kiki Sparks, became a fitness guru, Colie shed her excess weight too. But taunting classmates continue to shatter Colie's self-esteem, so she spends her fifteenth summer with her odd Aunt Mira and makes her first real friends. For junior and senior high readers. Some strong language. 1999.

The Pied Piper RC 49470
by Ridley Pearson
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
Seattle detective Lou Boldt and psychologist Daphne Matthews of *Beyond Recognition (RC 47587)* team up to track down a serial infant kidnapper. But someone on the task force is leaking information, and Boldt's own daughter is added to the list of victims. Some vio-

lence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Above the Law RC 49515
by J.F. Freedman
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Attorney Luke Garrison, last seen in *The Disappearance (RC 49015)*, becomes a special prosecutor for former classmate Nora Ray—now a district attorney investigating a foul-up by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. Digging into the case, he finds numerous sordid secrets among the northern Californians. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2000.

City of God RC 49517
by E.L. Doctorow
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Ruminations on finding faith in New York City lead an aspiring novelist to focus on the mysterious theft of a brass cross from a church and its use in the desecration of a synagogue. Others, including the concerned rector and rabbi, contribute to the author's jottings. Some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Moonspun Magic: Magic Trilogy, Volume 3 RC 49521
by Catherine Coulter
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Cornwall, 1813. Captain Rafael Carstairs of *Calypso Magic (RC 49520)* returns home and immediately finds himself rescuing Victoria Abermarle, a young woman fleeing the advances of his rapacious twin brother. Rafael takes Victoria to London for safe keeping and ends up falling in love. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1988.

The Undiscovered Chekhov: Thirty-Eight New Stories RC 49564
by Anton Chekhov
read by David Hartley-Margolin
1 cassette
Representative pieces originally published in Russian magazines between 1880 and 1887, after Chekhov began writing in his twenties. "On the Train" describes the hazards of travel, the odd assortment of characters sharing one compartment, the corrupt conductors, and the train's poor condition—all recounted with good humor. 1998.

Mystery Midrash: An Anthology of Jewish Mystery and Detective Fiction RC 49571
edited by Lawrence W. Raphael
read by Pam Ward
3 cassettes
Thirteen short stories with Jewish protagonists and/or issues from authors such as Faye Kellerman, Stuart Kaminsky, Toni Brill, Richard Fliegel, and others. Some violence. 1999.

A Star Called Henry: The Last Roundup, Volume 1 RC 49579
by Roddy Doyle
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Henry Smart knows he is not the first Henry. His older brother died in infancy, and his mother believes a star in the sky is her first Henry. But regardless of his beginnings, Henry becomes a street-smart kid and an active participant in Ireland's 1916 Easter Uprising. Descriptions of sex and strong language. 1999.

Dragonslayer's Return: Spearwielder's Tale, Volume 3 RC 49590
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Gary Leger returned to Earth from Faerie several years ago and married Diane. But when his father dies, Gary longs to return to the land of Faerie with his wife. And the sprites of Faerie long for his return as war looms on the horizon. Sequel to *The Dragon's Dagger (RC 40621)*. 1995.

Blackmantle: A Triumph; a Book of the Keltiad RC 49594
by Patricia Kennealy-Morrison
read by George Holmes
4 cassettes
Orphaned at birth, Athlyn—known to all as Blackmantle—grows up to become queen. But she must risk all to retrieve her beloved Morric, poisoned by a vengeful former love Amzalsunëa. Sequel to *The Throne of Scone . . . . (RC 41301)*. 1997.

Colonization: Second Contact RC 49668
by Harry Turtledove
read by Roy Avers
5 cassettes
In the aftermath of conquering most of Earth, Atvar—the leader of the alien Lizard race—awaits the arrival of the nonmilitary colonists. But the humans continue their resistance and take the struggle into space. Companion to the Worldwar series. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

The Geezer Factory Murders RC 49669
by Corinne Holt Sawyer
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Things are looking up for retirement home Camden-sur-Mer when tenants begin transferring there from the competition, newly built Golden Years. But the murder of a recent arrival brings bad publicity and another mystery to solve for resident amateur sleuths Angela Benbow and Caledonia Wingate. 1996.

Where She Has Gone RC 49672
by Nino Ricci
read by Peter Gil
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *In a Glass House (RC 42929)*, Italian-born Victor's desire to renew ties with his half-sister Rita in Toronto results in emotional complications. When they accidentally meet in their mother's village in Italy, Victor probes their connection without reaching resolution. Some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Children of God RC 49683
by Mary Doria Russell
read by Rick Rohan
4 cassettes
The sole survivor of the original mission to Rakhat, Father Emilio Sandoz is still recovering from the brutality he suffered and is reluctant to return. When he arrives in 2060, he learns his former torturer is now in power. Sequel to *The Sparrow (RC 43892)*. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

My Year of Meats RC 49685
by Ruth L. Ozeki
read by Nanette Savard
3 cassettes
American filmmaker Jane Takagi-Little shoots a Japanese television series featuring American wives preparing meat dishes until she angers producers by delving into controversial subject matter. Meanwhile the wife of the show's executive is inspired by the series, but her anorexia-induced infertility angers her abusive husband. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Empires of Sand RC 49688
by David Ball
read by Ted Stoddard
6 cassettes
Nineteenth-century adventurer Count Henri DeVries returns with a Saharan Tuareg wife to France, where their son, Moussa, becomes best friends with his cousin, Paul. Years later, after the DeVries have been driven back to Africa, the formerly close cousins are put at odds when French forces invade the Sahara. Some violence. 1999.

Tune In Anytime RC 49695
by Caroline B. Cooney
read by Nanette Savard
1 cassette
Sixteen-year-old Sophie Olivette feels as if she is living in a soap opera when her father comes home with her sister's college roommate and announces that they are getting married. Her self-absorbed mom is of little help, so Sophie seeks solace with the stolid family of a classmate. For senior high readers. 1999.

Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason RC 49739
by Helen Fielding
read by Jennifer Mendenhall
2 cassettes
More broad satire of the London singles scene in this sequel to *Bridget Jones's Diary (RC 46267)*. When her affair with Mark Darcy takes a bad turn, Bridget begins a disastrous renovation of her flat and ends up in prison during her vacation in Thailand. Strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Strange Attractors: The Chaos Chronicles, Volume 2 RC 49762
by Jeffrey A. Carver
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
In *Neptune Crossing (RC 39793)*, John Bandicut saved the Earth from a comet but lost his alien friend, Charlie, in the process. Now John awakens to find himself stranded in an artificial structure, *Shipworld*, with two humanoids and a new alien friend, IK, who wants John for a new mission. 1995.

The Infinite Sea: The Chaos Chronicles, Volume 3 RC 49763
by Jeffrey A. Carver
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes
Following the events in *Strange Attractors (RC 49762)*, John Bandicut's next confrontation with chaos takes place underwater. Joined by his robot and alien friends, John finds himself helping the Neri, a species of humanoid amphibians whose existence is threatened by an evil force. 1996.

A Prize for Princes RC 49773
by Rex Stout
read by David Elias
2 cassettes
American Richard Stetton rescues Aline Solini, a beautiful but evil woman, from a convent in a Balkan town that is overrun by conquering Turks in 1914. As Stetton falls in love with her, Aline tries to murder her Russian husband, who later pursues her relentlessly. First published as a serial. Some violence. 1994.

A Scientific Romance RC 49795
by Ronald Wright
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
London, 1999. Industrial archaeologist David Lambert happens upon the reappearance of H.G. Wells's time machine. He boards the device and leaps five hundred years into the future, where he becomes a fugitive in a wild, desolate England and manages to unravel his own past. Some violence and some strong language. 1997.

Death of a Colonial: A Sir John Fielding Mystery RC 49796
by Bruce Alexander
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
England, 1771. Blind judge Sir John Fielding and his ward Jeremy Proctor investigate a young man's claim to the Paltrow family estate. The claimant has just returned after eight years in the North American colonies and his identity is in doubt, and the Crown covets the disputed prize. 1999.

Days of Cain RC 49798
by J.R. Dunn
read by John Stratton
3 cassettes
In the future when time travel is possible, time monitor Gaspar James, from planet Arpad, must prevent anyone from altering the past and thus disrupting the continuum of life. When his student, renegade Alma Lewin, travels back to 1943 to liberate Nazi death camps, James intervenes. Violence. 1997.

Blood Money: Agent Peter Ashton RC 49807
by Clive Egleton
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
When British Secret Intelligence Service rogue operative Peter Ashton's wife and colleague, Harriet, discovers three dead agents in a safe house, Ashton feels obligated to find the killers. His investigation leads to Russians, Cubans, Muslims, and a showdown in Virginia. Some violence and some strong language. 1997.

Sappho: The Tenth Muse RC 49809
by Nancy Freedman
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
Fictionalized life story of the sixth-century B.C. Greek poet from the island of Lesbos. Widowed after a brief marriage, she founded an academy for young women, whom she praised in her lyric poems. But it is her love for a young sailor that determines her fate. Some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Tickled to Death: A Claire Malloy Mystery RC 49814
by Joan Hess
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Bookstore owner Claire Malloy is shocked that her friend Luanne is having an affair with a man the sheriff suspects killed two wives. Because of Claire's previous success as an amateur sleuth, Luanne asks her to come to her lover's weekend lake-front home to try to clear his name. 1994.

A Boy in Winter RC 49832
by Maxine Chernoff
read by Mary Kane
1 cassette
A divorced mother is having an affair with her unhappily married neighbor when their two sons are involved in a tragic accident. When one of the boys kills the other with a crossbow, the survivors struggle to recover from the event. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1999.

Six Moon Dance RC 49833
by Sheri S. Tepper
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
On the imperiled planet Newholme, where men outnumber women two to one, the youthful consort Mouche plays a key role in recovering secrets from the past. When the six moons are in alignment, mysterious forces come into play. Some strong language. 1998.

Threshold RC 49835
by Bill Myers
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Indiana blue-collar worker Brandon Martus is struggling to get past his grief over the deaths of his father and sister after an auto accident in which Brandon was the driver. Brandon's newfound prescience is dismissed as guilt over the tragedy, until a neurobiologist discovers paranormal causes. 1997.

Waiting in Vain RC 49840
by Colin Channer
read by Samarra Mbenga
3 cassettes
Jamaican writer Adrian "Fire" Heath first meets editor Sylvia Lucas on the streets of New York and later she turns up at his friend's party. The two resist their growing love for each other as Fire travels to England and Sylvia dates another. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Don't Let Me Die! RC 49843
by Lindsay Caldwell
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
After an automobile accident, high school student Lucy St. Cloud struggles with the realization that she may never walk again. Then she is jilted by her boyfriend and subjected to painful rehabilitation therapy, but finds diversion in chatting with someone she met online. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 1998.

The Walking Tour RC 49854
by Kathryn Davis
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
Two business partners, Bobby Rose and Coleman Snow, and their wives, Carole Ridingham and Ruth Farr, join a walking tour in Wales. A tragedy ensues, and for years Bobby and Carole's daughter Susan pieces together clues from the subsequent trial and other sources. Some strong language. 1999.

These Demented Lands RC 49862
by Alan Warner
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Morvern Callar (RC 45809)* the spunky Morvern meets an air-crash investigator at an obscure and forbidding honeymoon hotel. The two join forces to deal with a series of outlandish characters, one of whom is organizing "the big one," an unprecedented rave on a remote airstrip. Some strong language. 1997.

Deadville RC 49863
by Robert F. Jones
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
In 1833, brothers Dillon and Owen Griffith head west with a Shawnee scout to hunt beaver. Attacked by one group of Indians and rescued by another led by part African American war chief James Pierson Beckwourth, Dill and Owen find their troubles only beginning. Violence and some strong language. 1998.

Triage RC 49887
by Scott Anderson
read by Chris Parente
2 cassettes
War correspondent Mark Walsh, wounded and traumatized in Kurdistan, returns home to New York. As his condition worsens, the grandfather of Mark's girlfriend assists his recovery with a "purifying" technique found useful in treating Franco's fascists during the Spanish Civil War. Rehabilitation leads to family reconciliation. Violence and some strong language. 1998.

The Sunbird RC 49899
by Wilbur Smith
read by Randy Wieck
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Archaeologist Benjamin Kazin, his assistant Sally Benator, and their financier Louren Sturvesant venture to Botswana to uncover the ancient Carthaginian city of Opet. After becoming infected by a virus at the site, Sturvesant dies and Kazin falls into a coma wherein he relives the final days of the ancient civilization. Violence. 1972.

New Stories from the South: The Year's Best, 1999 RC 49909
edited by Shannon Ravenel
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Twenty stories on various themes that give insight into the culture of the American south. In "Borrowed Hearts" a retiree is beset by the sudden loss of his olfactory sense. His dreams, which are redolent of a haunting past experience, vanish after he is cured. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.

Loose Lips RC 49910
by Rita Mae Brown
read by Ann Hodapp
3 cassettes
Sisters Julia Ellen and Louise Hunsenmeir of Runnymede, Maryland, are always fighting. On April 7, 1941, they have a brawl that causes almost four hundred dollars' worth of damage to Cadwalder's drugstore. To help pay for the repairs, the two women open a beauty salon that becomes "Gossip Central." Some strong language. 1999.

A Clash of Kings: A Song of Ice and Fire, Book 2 RC 49913
by George R.R. Martin
read by Roy Avers
6 cassettes
In this sequel to *A Game of Thrones (RC 45742)* a state of hostility prevails as six contenders vie for dominance over the kingdom following the death of Lord Eddard Stark. Families are torn asunder in relentless internecine combat over the throne. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1999.

The Shadow Portrait: The House of Winslow, Book 21 RC 49918
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Silver Star (RC 45106)*, cousins Peter and Phil Winslow are in New York City. Phil, an aspiring artist, meets the reclusive Cara Lanier, also a painter. Peter, meanwhile, gets involved in auto racing and joins society's "fast set." An accident brings them all closer together. 1998.

The Dawning of the Day: Lovers Trilogy, Volume 1 RC 49921
by Elisabeth Ogilvie
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Widow Philippa Marshall has great expectations when she comes to Bennett's Island, Maine, to teach at the one-room school. But she is not prepared for the growing rivalry between the island's influential families, the reasons behind school truancy, or her feelings for Steve Bennett. Prequel to *The Seasons Hereafter (RC 49922)*. 1954.

Stolen Gold: A Western Trio RC 49975
by Max Brand
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Three short novels of the American west, written in the 1920s. In "Sheriff Larrabee's Prisoner," saddle tramp Jack Montagne is framed for the murder of an old miser. Montagne is pursued and captured by Larrabee's posse, but the sheriff's daughter decides to find the real killer. Some violence. 1999.

Spiderweb RC 49976
by Penelope Lively
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
Retired social anthropologist Stella Brentwood moves to western rural England near her old school chums. Stella has lived all over the world and observed many different societies in her line of work. But once in the country, she finds it difficult to adjust—especially with a dangerous, dysfunctional family next door. 1998.

To Find a Place: Western Stories RC 49977
by Robert Easton
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Twelve adventure stories of the American west. In "Quick and the Cat" a bounty hunter of mountain lions sets out to rid the territory of the dreaded cats. After killing a litter of kittens in their den, the hunter meets with misfortune and himself becomes the prey. Some strong language. 1999.

Until Day Breaks: A Saga of Texas, Book 1 RC 49995
by Will Cook
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
1870s. Although Tracy Cameron is a career army officer, he believes in peace more than war—especially in north Texas, with the Comanche. Backers in Washington, D.C., support Cameron, but General Sherman has other ideas. Original version of the novel for the 1961 movie *Two Rode Together*. 1999.

The Unexpected Guest RC 50003
by Agatha Christie and Charles Osborne
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette
On entering a country house to seek help with a car problem, Michael Starkwedder finds a corpse in a wheelchair and a woman with a gun in her hand. Although the woman, Laura Warwick, claims to have shot her husband, Michael does not immediately call the police. Adapted from the 1958 play. 1999.

Don't Look and It Won't Hurt RC 50004
by Richard Peck
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Carol Peterson, middle daughter of a single mother, gets the responsibilities while her older sister enjoys freedom and popularity. But Carol's difficulties also mature her so she is better able to help and understand her family. Basis for the movie *Gas Food Lodging*. For junior and senior high readers. 1972

The Dragon Can't Dance RC 50053
by Earl Lovelace
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
As carnival time approaches, residents of Calvary Hill, a shantytown in Trinidad, begin making preparations. Miss Cleothilda knows she will retain her position as queen, and Aldrick Prospect will once again be king. But other things are changing: outsiders are encroaching and the inhabitants are losing their former rebellious spirit. Strong language. 1979.

Tarzan of the Apes RC 50056
by Edgar Rice Burroughs
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Lord and Lady Greystoke are cast ashore on the African coast after a shipboard mutiny. They later die in the jungle, but their infant son survives (nursed by a family of great apes) to become Tarzan. Originally published as a novel; subsequently became the first in the series. 1914.

Empress of the Splendid Season RC 50057
by Oscar Hijuelos
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
The dreams and setbacks of a Cuban American family in New York City. Raul pledges to provide for Lydia, his bride and empress of the splendid season of love. But when heart disease incapacitates Raul, highborn Lydia must support the family as a cleaning woman. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.

My Century RC 50065
by Günter Grass
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
Günter Grass, the 1999 winner of the Nobel Prize for literature, chronicles his own and Germany's centennium through one hundred short stories, one for each year of the twentieth century. For 1989 Grass recalls a parent-teacher association's concern about a schoolteacher's "obsession with the past." 1999.

Interpreter of Maladies: Stories RC 50087
by Jhumpa Lahiri
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Nine tales of brief encounters with lasting effects, set in India and America. Each emphasizes cultural transition and loss. In the title piece, while American-born Mr. and Mrs. Das and their three young children are tourists in India, Mrs. Das confides a disquieting secret to their guide. Pulitzer Prize. Bestseller 1999.

The Empty Chair RC 50088
by Jeffery Deaver
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Quadriplegic criminalist Lincoln Rhyme is in North Carolina for experimental surgery, when he and his colleague Amelia Sachs are recruited for a local case. An odd teen nicknamed Insect Boy has killed a youth and kidnapped two young women, and the cops can't find him. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Anil's Ghost RC 50089
by Michael Ondaatje
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
Representing the Centre for Human Rights, Anil Tissera, a forensic pathologist, arrives in Sri Lanka, her birthplace, to investigate reports of political mass murders. Her task is complicated by uncertainty over the trustworthiness of her government-appointed counterpart, Sarath Diyasena, an archaeologist. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

The Run RC 50093
by Stuart Woods
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Vice President Joe Adams suffers secretly from Alzheimer's disease when the president is incapacitated by a stroke. Georgia senator Will Lee, last seen in *Grass Roots (RC 37797)*, sets his sights on the White House. Then scandals and blackmail surface. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2000.

Young Wives RC 50095
by Olivia Goldsmith
read by Annie Wauters
4 cassettes
Two friends, Jada and Michelle, lean on each other when both their marriages take frightening turns. They find additional support in recently wed Angela, an attorney who herself is reeling from a nasty marital surprise. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller 2000.

The Shanghai Murders: Of Love and Ivory RC 50104
by David Rotenberg
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
Shanghai police inspector Zhong Fong investigates the murder of an American policeman with the help of the slain officer's widow. Meanwhile, Fong fights his own demons when his late wife's foreign lover returns to the city. Then an African diplomat is killed. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1998.

Head over Heels RC 50106
by Stephanie Mittman
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Abrasive radio personality Harris Tweed announces his suspicions that the Reverend Phil Springfield siphoned church scholarship money. Driving to confront Tweed, the pastor crashes and dies. As he anonymously helps Springfield's young widow and her foster children, Tweed falls in love. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.

The Best American Short Stories, 1999: Selected from U.S. and Canadian Magazines RC 50108
edited by Amy Tan
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
In her introduction, guest editor Tan indicates she chose these twenty-one stories because they have a strong narrative voice, elements of fairy tales and the grotesque, and an exotic flavor. Includes selections by Rick Bass, Tim Gautreaux, Ha Jin, Lorrie Moore, and Annie Proulx. Some violence and some strong language. 1999.

Pride of Tyson RC 50112
by Max Brand
read by Randy Davidson
2 cassettes
Hoping to draw New York socialite Margaret Tyson into his life, dam builder Ed Garth convinces her beloved brother Henry that working for him out west for a while will make him a man and improve his boxing. Henry thrives until he learns Ed's real motive. Some violence and some strong language. 1920.

Tomorrow's Promise RC 50121
by Temple Bailey
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Nineteen-year-old Anne Ordway, shocked and disillusioned when her parents divorce, retreats to Maryland's Eastern Shore with her nurse and companion, Vicky. But she has already met Charles Patterson, also divorced, and cannot forget him. 1938.

Mistress Anne RC 50123
by Temple Bailey
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
In rural Maryland just after the First World War, Anne Warfield, a young school teacher, becomes infatuated with a doctor who returns to the area with his mother. But Richard Brooks and his wealthy New York crowd seem to belong to another class altogether. 1917.

Roc and a Hard Place RC 50124
by Piers Anthony
read by Sharon Murray
3 cassettes
Demoness Metria has a problem that only the good magician Humfrey can help her solve. But before Humfrey will help her, she must gather together a group of people to serve as jurors in the

trial of Roxanne Roc, a bird charged with an improbable offense. 1995.

Voyage: A Novel of 1896 RC 50128
by Sterling Hayden
read by Roy Avers
5 cassettes (Reissue)
The eventful story of Captain Pendleton's ill-starred voyage around Cape Horn to San Francisco on the windjammer "Neptune's Car." A shipping magnate's pampered daughter looks on as the maltreated, overworked crew is driven to mutiny. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller 1976.

The Dim Lantern RC 50131
by Temple Bailey
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Lively twenty-year-old Jane Barnes keeps house for her brother Baldwin in the suburbs of Washington, D.C. When Baldwin and wealthy Edith Towne fall in love, Edith's uncle Frederick pursues Jane. But Jane is drawn to neighbor Evans Follette, a depressed World War I veteran. 1923.

The Sacking of El Dorado RC 50132
by Max Brand
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Collection of seven lively stories. Includes "Bad Eye: His Life and Letters," in which a Nevada bartender is forced to kill an obnoxious tenderfoot called Bad Eye. When a woman from the East comes looking for the dead man, the saloon owner and the bartender close ranks. Some violence and some strong language. 1920.

Her Son's Wife RC 50135
by Dorothy Canfield
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes
Mrs. Bascomb has lived alone for several years when her son writes that he is bringing his new wife home—to his mother's house. Mrs. Bascomb's peaceful life is soon shattered, as she tries to accept (and control) a woman who is not her idea of the right one for her son. 1926.

The Winds of Chance RC 50136
by Rex Beach
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
When Pierce Phillips arrives in the Yukon, he finds gold and adventure, as well as many women who are drawn to his charm. One rescues him after he is wrongly accused of stealing, another offers him a "better" job, and a third will win his heart. 1918.

Wickford Point RC 50137
by John P. Marquand
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes (Reissue)
A chronicle of everyday life in the old Brill homestead at Wickford Point, north of Boston. The stories of the members of this self-satisfied family are told by a cousin, Jim Calder, who is loyal but determined to remain outside the circle of their smothering interdependence. 1939.

Paint Me Rainbows RC 50139
by Fern Michaels
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
After Jill Barton is left standing at the altar, she gets in her car and heads north, ending up at an artists' colony in New England. There she meets Aggie

Beaumont, who helps her heal, and Logan Matthews, the owner, who steals her heart. Some descriptions of sex. 1981.

Red Devil of the Range RC 50141
by Max Brand
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Because he has to have the big-chested stallion at any cost, Ever Winton—the only man who can ride the wild mustang Red Pacer—makes a bargain with a notorious gunman. Some violence and some strong language. 1934.

The Real Motive RC 50144
by Dorothy Canfield
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Collection of fourteen short stories also includes three poems by Sarah N. Cleghorn. In "The Sick Physician," a newly widowed young Polish woman in an American village surprises her neighbors with her talent for singing. She transforms their lives with lessons, and appears to have moved past her own heartbreak. 1916.

Rough-Hewn RC 50145
by Dorothy Canfield
read by Mitzi Friedlander
4 cassettes
Europe, 1909. Neale Crittenden was raised in New Jersey and led a conventional life until he was jilted and decided to travel. When he meets American Marise Allen, who has lived many years in France, they discover they each have relatives in Vermont. The two soon fall in love. 1922.

The Dark Star RC 50151
by Robert W. Chambers
read by Janis Gray
3 cassettes
As a child, Rue Carew played with an odd chest left in her missionary father's care by a German who was killed. Later, studying art in Paris, Rue's friendship with a Russian princess makes her realize the importance of the chest's contents, and she asks a mutual friend to retrieve it. 1917.

Heart of the Sunset RC 50152
by Rex Beach
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes
After rescuing her in the desert near the Rio Grande, young ranger Dave Law falls in love with a wealthy rancher's wife, Alaire Austin. But her husband is suspected of dealing with Mexican rebels, and Law's job is to keep the peace. Some violence. 1915.

The Reckoning RC 50153
by Robert W. Chambers
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
In 1781, during the American war for independence, Mr. Washington has planted a young spy against the British in New York City. The youth's precarious position is further complicated when he falls in love with a Tory belle. 1905.

Mind/Reader RC 50155
by Brian Freemantle
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Recently appointed to Europol, forensic and criminal psychologist Claudine Carter is assigned to a case involving body parts found throughout Europe. Meanwhile she learns her late husband

(a recent suicide) is suspected of insider trading, her mother is dying, and her superior at work is hiding something. Strong language and some violence. 1998.

Burning Beauty RC 50157
by Temple Bailey
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
When the impoverished Oliphant family of Annapolis are forced to sell their fabulous family estate, their sheltered children attract the attention of various wealthy suitors. Young Virginia is torn between two potential husbands while her poet brother is attracted to a carefree debutante. 1929.

With This Ring: A Quartet of Charming Stories about Four Very Special Weddings RC 50158
edited by Lori Copeland and others
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Four short Christian romance stories set in the nineteenth century. In "Something Old" and "Something New," recent immigrants to America face difficulties with their love interests. In "Something Borrowed," Emma arrives at her inherited ranch to find an interloper. In "Something Blue," Norwegian Astrid reaches Louisiana and learns that her husband is dead. 1998.

Who's Irish? Stories RC 50166
by Gish Jen
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Eight short stories featuring Chinese American protagonists. In the title piece a Chinese grandmother is banned from her daughter's home after spanking her unruly Irish-Chinese granddaughter. In "Duncan in China" a Chinese American dropout moves to China to teach English but remains an outsider. 1999.

The First Victim RC 50199
by Ridley Pearson
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
A container spotted off Seattle's coast carries dead and ill Chinese women. As cop Lou Boldt works the homicide angle and INS agents work theirs, anchorwoman Stevie McNeal and her Chinese adopted sister, Melissa, begin their own investigation. When Melissa disappears, McNeal must turn to the police. Violence and some strong language. 1999.

In a Class by Itself RC 50203
by Sandra Brown
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
Dani dreads her high school reunion. Ten years ago her parents forced her to annul the wedding vows she secretly took with Logan Webster. Now she has to face him again and, worse, ask him to sell some acreage for charity. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1984.

Potent Pleasures RC 50208
by Eloisa James
read by Corrie James
3 cassettes
In 1798, as seventeen-year-old Charlotte prepares for her debut into London society, she shocks herself by allowing a stranger to take her virginity at a low-class masked ball. Three years later, Charlotte realizes the man from the masquerade is an earl who doesn't remember her. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

Uncle Bill: A Tale of Two Kids and a Cowboy RC 50214
by Will James
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Ten-year-old Kip and his sister Scootie, eleven, spend the summer with their cowboy Uncle Bill at the Five Barb Ranch. The city kids, who have a lot to learn about horses and cattle, pester their uncle with questions all day long. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1932.

At Any Price RC 50216
by Brian Freemantle
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
International hotel magnate Harry Rudd, still grieving over his wife's death in childbirth, begins a hostile takeover of a rival British chain. Sir Ian Buckland vows to block it. A vengeful ex-father-in-law tries to destroy Rudd, who inexplicably falls in love with Buckland's wife, Lady Margaret. Some descriptions of sex. 1982.

Visitors from Oz: The Wild Adventures of Dorothy, the Scarecrow, and the Tin Woodman RC 50225
by Martin Gardner
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette
For the centennial of L. Frank Baum's story about Oz, Hollywood mogul Sam Gold decides to produce it as a musical film. At Gold's behest Dorothy, the Scarecrow, and the Tin Woodman show up in New York City, where they encounter mayor Giuliani, Oprah Winfrey, and others. 1998.

White Teeth RC 50261
by Zadie Smith
read by Anne Flosnik
4 cassettes
Set in London and spanning some twenty-five years, these are the misadventures of World War II buddies Archie Jones, an Englishman, and Samad Iqbal, a Bengali Muslim. Encompassing their marriages and offspring, their story explores religion, ethnicity, and gender. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Demolition Angel RC 50262
by Robert Crais
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Carol Starkey left the LAPD bomb squad for a detective position following an explosion that killed her colleague and lover, and left her briefly dead. Now she reluctantly pairs up with federal agent Jack Pell to catch a serial bomber called Mr. Red. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2000.

The House on Hope Street RC 50266
by Danielle Steel
read by Faith Potts
2 cassettes
California divorce lawyers Liz and Jack Sutherland have five children and an idyllic marriage. But after Jack is killed by the deranged husband of a client, the family gradually learns to cope without him. Then an accident brings a new person into their lives. Some strong language. 2000.

After the Fire RC 50272
by Belva Plain
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Gerald, a well-respected plastic sur-

geon, and Hyacinth enjoy an idyllic marriage with two children. But in the aftermath of a fire at Gerald's office, Hyacinth finds herself in a desperate struggle for custody of her son and daughter. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

The Human Stain RC 50274
by Philip Roth
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Dean of faculty Coleman Silk retires in the scandal that ensues when he is accused of uttering a racial slur. He recruits a neighboring author to tell his story, and a long-hidden secret about Silk's heritage is revealed. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2000.

Red Light RC 50280
by T. Jefferson Parker
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Orange County, California, police sergeant Merci Rayborn, last seen in *The Blue Hour (RC 49184)*, discovers evidence that her boyfriend, vice cop Mike McNally, might have murdered a call girl. And the crime has similarities with an unsolved thirty-year-old case. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller 2000.

Surprise Endings RC 50284
by Robin Jones Gunn
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Sophomore Christy Miller hopes to make the cheerleading squad at her new school, but she faces a jealous classmate, financial problems, and complications between the two guys she's interested in. She makes a surprising decision based on her faith in God. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Peacock Feathers RC 50348
by Temple Bailey
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Jerry Chandler falls in love at first sight with Mimi Le Brun, a senator's granddaughter. Later, at Yale, Jerry becomes involved with Mimi's family even though he is a poor preacher's son. But can he convince a society girl to marry him? 1924.

Le Mariage RC 50349
by Diane Johnson
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
In Paris, Belgian American journalist Tim Nolinger is engaged to a French antiques dealer. While investigating a stolen manuscript, Tim falls for an American actress. Soon people are caught up in murder, wrongful arrest, and declarations of love. Companion to *Le Divorce (RC 44152)*. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Desperate Journey RC 50355
by Cliff Farrell
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Thirteen western stories by a career newspaperman, first published in magazines during the 1940s and 1950s. Locales range from the Ohio frontier of the early 1800s to the Wyoming range, and characters include teenagers, sheltered brides, gamblers, cowboys, and con artists. Some violence. 1999.

The Courtship RC 50359
by Catherine Coulter
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
London, 1811. Innkeeper Lady Helen Mayberry, knowledgeable in the art of erotic discipline, uses her wiles on Lord Beecham to convince him to become her partner in searching for a mythical lamp of inestimable value. Love triumphs, but only after the pair become embroiled in some deadly intrigues. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

Two Suns in the Sky RC 50366
by Miriam Bat-Ami
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
A World War II refugee love story told in two voices: Adam Bornstein, a Yugoslavian Jew living in a refugee camp in Oswego, New York, and Christine Cook, a Catholic from Oswego. Both teenagers wish love could be enough to solve all their differences. For junior and senior high readers. Scott O'Dell Award. 1999.

Sleepless in Montana RC 50380
by Cait London
read by Pam Ward
3 cassettes
Hogan Kodiak is begged by Jemma—the annoying friend of his half-sister, Carley—to help her protect Carley against a stalker. As the troubled Kodiak family gathers on their Montana ranch, Hogan is surprised by his attraction to Jemma. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 1999.

The Sound of Trumpets RC 50387
by John Mortimer
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Titmuss Regained (RC 32613)*, Lord Titmuss has been deposed but, wanting revenge against the Tories, helps New Labourite Terry Flitton win a seat in Parliament. Once Flitton is elected, however, his past begins to haunt him. Some strong language. 1998.

The Language of Threads RC 50388
by Gail Tsukiyama
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Women of the Silk (RC 35524)*, Pei and her young cousin Ji Shen arrive in Hong Kong. With help, Pei finds work as a domestic and Ji Shen begins school. But their future is not secure, and the Japanese invasion will further change their lives. Some violence. 1999.

City of Ice RC 50397
by John Farrow
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Sergeant-Detective Cinq-Mars watches his beloved Montreal being taken over by an alliance of gangs, including the Russian Mafia. He receives a macabre Christmas gift—a police informant dressed as Santa Claus and impaled on a meat hook. Cinq-Mars realizes the depth of treachery he faces. Violence, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some strong language. 1999.

Flint's Honor RC 50400
by Richard S. Wheeler
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Silver City, Colorado; 1878. Crusading journalist Sam Flint sets up a newspaper office in a bawdy house in the overcrowded town. Flint soon clashes with the local powers, including the corrupt and domineering mine owner,

Achilles Balthazar. Sequel to *Flint's Truth (RC 47865)*. 1999.

No Badge, No Gun: A Carl Wilcox Mystery RC 50444
by Harold Adams
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
Carl Wilcox, depression-era itinerant sign painter and detective, is hired to look into the rape and murder of a teenage girl in a small South Dakota town. Wilcox soon falls in love with Hazel, the school librarian. Before long another murder occurs, leaving one less suspect. 1998.

Big Ugly RC 50445
by William F. Weld
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Terry Mullally—last seen in *Mackerel by Moonlight (RC 49138)* and now the freshman senator from Massachusetts—is being courted by the potential presidential candidates, including Vice President Martha Holloway and Senator Anson Vivian from Big Ugly, West Virginia. Mullally becomes seduced by power and money while trying to hide his own skeletons. 1999.

Ravelstein RC 50448
by Saul Bellow
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Portrait of an intense friendship between two men. At novelist Chick's instigation, university professor Abe Ravelstein has published his ideas in a book that has become a bestseller. Now, during a celebratory trip to Paris, Ravelstein, dying of AIDS, urges Chick to be his biographer. Some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

The Haunted Major RC 50487
by Robert Marshall
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Classic tale of the golf match between boorish Major Jacky Gore and champion Jim Lindsay for the hand of an American millionairess. Once in Scotland, Gore—who has never played golf in his life—receives unexpected assistance from the ghost of a clergyman with a grudge. 1999 introduction by John Updike. 1902.

Irish Hearts RC 50504
by Nora Roberts
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Contains *Irish Thoroughbred* and *Irish Rose*, relating the stories of cousins Adelia Cunnane and Erin McKinnon. Each independent young woman comes to America and finds success, love, and happiness with a neighboring Maryland horse-farm owner. Prequel to *Irish Rebel (RC 50505)*. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Irish Rebel RC 50505
by Nora Roberts
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Keeley Grant, daughter of Travis and Adelia—from *Irish Hearts (RC 50504)*—finds herself falling in love with Brian Donnelly, the new horse trainer for Royal Meadows. The feeling is mutual, but Brian fears he is not worthy of the daughter of a well-to-do family. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Omerta RC 50512
by Mario Puzo
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
When retired Mafia don Raymonde Aprile is assassinated on the steps of St. Patrick's Cathedral, his protégé Astorre Viola draws on his Sicilian heritage and the don's training to avenge the murder. Astorre transforms from charming macaroni importer to shrewd decision maker. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2000.

Hot Six RC 50513
by Janet Evanovich
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *High Five (RC 48439)* bounty hunter Stephanie Plum's mentor, the dangerously appealing Ranger, is the one who has skipped bail. Meanwhile, Stephanie is being tailed, her apartment is tossed, her relationship with cop Joe Morelli turns interesting, and her grandmother moves in. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep RC 50603
by Patricia H. Rushford
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
Retired Portland, Oregon, policewoman Helen Bradley investigates the murder of a gerontologist who was experimenting with a possible cure for Alzheimer's disease. When his wife is also murdered, Helen—against the advice of family members—checks into the doctor's convalescent home to observe the effects of his research. Some violence. 1997.

Angel of Mercy RC 50608
by Lurlene McDaniel
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Before she begins college, Heather Barlow volunteers to serve on a hospital mercy ship to Africa. There she falls in love with Scottish seminary and medical student Ian McCollum. But when Ian's plane crashes during a rescue mission, Heather's faith in God is tested. For senior high readers. 1999.

Out of Body RC 50625
by Thomas Baum
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
When ex-con Denton Hake's girlfriend turns up dead, he is fingered for the murder and winds up on death row. Hake has been having out-of-body experiences, so he employs his paranormal powers to solve the crime for which he was convicted. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1997.

The Search RC 50646
by Iris Johansen
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Killing Game (RC 49153)* Logan's late wife's vengeful half-brother, Rudzak, kidnaps an employee from Logan's research facility. Logan manipulates ATF agent Sarah Patrick and her search dog, Monty, into helping him track the hostage. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller 2000.

The Vineyard RC 50651
by Barbara Delinsky
read by Terry Hayes Sales
3 cassettes
Widowed just six months, vineyard owner Natalie Seebring, seventy-six, shocks

her children by inviting them to her wedding to her employee, Carl Burke. Meanwhile, Natalie hires single mother Olivia Jones to help prepare a memoir that will explain her long history with Carl. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2000.

The River King RC 50717
by Alice Hoffman
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Massachusetts's Haddan School was built in 1858 for wealthy students from across the country. Even a century later, locals do not attend. But following the inexplicable death of a student, the entire town becomes involved, as policeman Abel Grey finds himself searching for solutions to both old and new mysteries. 2000.

The Second Silence RC 50718
by Eileen Goudge
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Teenage new mother Mary learns her friend Corrine has killed herself. Thirty years later, Mary's grown daughter, Noelle, is in a vicious custody battle with devious, influential, ex-husband Robert—Corinne's high-school boyfriend—over their five-year-old daughter. Noelle's family looks to the past for ammunition in the case. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

Circle of Three RC 50719
by Patricia Gaffney
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Carrie, her mother, and her fifteen-year-old daughter describe the aftermath of Carrie's husband's unexpected death. Carrie begins to recover when she's given opportunities to work creatively and to rekindle the love of her life. But her mother and daughter don't approve. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Tears of the Moon RC 50766
by Nora Roberts
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Jewels of the Sun (RC 49482)* Shawn Gallagher, musician and cook at his family's pub in Ardmore, Ireland, falls in love with a childhood playmate. But is Brenna O'Toole too practical to marry a daydreamer? Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Riptide RC 50769
by Catherine Coulter
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
New York governor's speechwriter Becca Matlock is being stalked, but the police won't believe her. She escapes to Albany and then Maine, but each time the phone calls resume. Finally, Becca receives anonymous help to end the terror. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2000.

Talking to the Dead RC 50787
by Helen Dunmore
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
Nina, a London photographer, goes to the country to care for her older sister Isabel, who has had a baby (and a hysterectomy). Nina begins an affair, unaware of how much this baby reminds Isabel of their brother's crib death. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1996.

With a Little Luck RC 50796
by Janet Dailey
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
At twenty-six, Eve "plain Jane" Rowland wonders if she will ever find love in the small town of Cable, Wisconsin. Then she and Luck McClure have several "accidental" meetings that change their lives forever. Some descriptions of sex. 1981.

Deck the Halls RC 50860
by Mary Higgins Clark and Carol Higgins Clark
read by Nanette Savard
1 cassette
Amateur sleuth Alvirah Meehan assists Los Angeles private investigator Regan Reilly, who is in New York visiting her parents for Christmas when her father is kidnapped. This joint effort by mother and daughter authors brings together characters from earlier works by each writer. Bestseller 2000.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Cloning RC 48821
by Daniel Cohen
read by Nancy Kronenfeld
1 cassette
Introduces the history and possible future of the science of cloning and gene therapy, and the social consequences of such experiments. Includes information on Dolly the sheep and the possibility of replicating dinosaurs. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1998.

The Mystery of the Mammoth Bones: And How It Was Solved RC 49234
by James Cross Giblin
read by Anne Hancock
1 cassette
An account of the discovery of the first mastodon skeletons and their exhibit in Philadelphia in 1801. Describes the role of Charles Willson Peale in excavating and assembling the fossil remains. Also contains a biographical sketch of Peale and facts about mammoths and mastodons. For grades 4-7. 1999.

A Special Place for Charlee: A Child's Companion through Pet Loss RC 49330
by Debby Morehead
read by Arnie Warren
1 cassette
Story of a boy's coming to terms with the death of his dog, Charlee. At first Mark is sad and depressed, so his parents help him by remembering Charlee

in special ways. But it is a friend whose cat died who helps him the most. For grades 2-4. 1996.

The Lost Garden RC 49376
by Laurence Yep
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
Newbery Honor author, born in 1948, tells of growing up in a San Francisco apartment over his parents' corner grocery. Though his family emigrated from China, Chinese was not spoken in Yep's home. His childhood is reflected in *Child of the Owl (RC 11545)* and other fiction. For grades 6-9. 1991.

Snakes and Such RC 49687
by Alvin Silverstein and others
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
Briefly discusses the negative and positive aspects of keeping reptiles as pets and describes a variety of such companions. Includes turtles, iguanas, boas, pythons, anoles, chameleons, geckos, water dragons, basilisks, frogs, toads, salamanders, and newts. Lists Internet resources for each. For grades 4-7. 1999.

The Century for Young People RC 49719
by Peter Jennings and Todd Brewster
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
A chronicle of the twentieth century, interspersed with eyewitness accounts by ordinary citizens. Focuses on key political and social events in the world that shaped U.S. history. Adapted from the adult bestseller. For grades 5-8 and older readers. Bestseller 1999.

King Solomon and His Magic Ring RC 49720
by Elie Wiesel
read by David Elias
1 cassette
Retells stories of King Solomon based on biblical accounts and legends from the Talmud and Midrash. The tales span the monarch's life, from boyhood through his forty-year reign, revealing both his wisdom and his human weakness. For grades 2-4. 1999.

Why Not, Lafayette? RC 49748
by Jean Fritz
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
Traces the life of the French nobleman who fought for democracy in the eighteenth-century revolutions in America and France. In 1777 the twenty-year-old general Lafayette served valiantly under George Washington and established himself as a hero in the hearts of the American people. For grades 4-7. 1999.

What You Never Knew about Fingers, Forks, and Chopsticks RC 49851
by Patricia Lauber
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Describes the development of eating customs and table manners from the Stone Age through modern days. Explains how knives, spoons, chopsticks, and eventually forks came into use and what was considered polite in different centuries and countries. For grades 2-4. 1999.

A Pet or Not? RC 49860
by Alvin Silverstein and others
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
Describes physical characteristics and

living habits of ten exotic animals and provides practical details of maintaining them. Discusses whether the armadillo, coatimundi, ferret, hedgehog, llama, miniature horse and donkey, monkey, potbellied pig, pygmy goat, and sugar glider should be owned as pets. For grades 3-6. 1999.

Space Station Science: Life in Free Fall
RC 49985
by Marianne J. Dyson
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
Describes what life is like on space stations and how crews are trained to survive in weightlessness. Explains how air, water, and power will be supplied to the station and discusses how the human body will react and what tasks will be performed. Includes experiments and activities related to these topics. For grades 4-7. 1999.

The Treasury of Saints and Martyrs
RC 50036
by Margaret Mulvihill
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
Introduces more than forty saints from the early years of Christianity to the twentieth century, ranging from Mary and Joseph to Elizabeth Seton. Definitions of "saint" and "martyr" and a description of the canonization process are followed by brief biographical sketches of the holy figures. For grades 5-8. 1999.

The Twentieth Century Children's Poetry Treasury RC 50086
selected by Jack Prelutsky
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
Anthology of 211 poems by 137 poets, including Gwendolyn Brooks, John Ciardi, e.e. cummings, Roald Dahl, Robert Frost, Nikki Grimes, Russell Hoban, Langston Hughes, Karla Kushin, Myra Cohn Livingston, A.A. Milne, Ogden Nash, Carl Sandburg, Dr. Seuss, Shel Silverstein, and Judith Viorst. For grades 2-4 and older readers. 1999.

Ecology Crafts for Kids: Fifty Great Ways to Make Friends with Planet Earth
RC 50140
by Bobbe Needham
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Step-by-step directions for more than fifty projects using natural and recycled materials: a birch-bark basket, gourd birdhouse, log-cabin planter, recycling bin, and license-plate bird feeder, as well as special-prints gift wrap, sand candles, corn-husk angels, and beach-glass jewelry. Also presents background information on ecological and environmental issues. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Clocks and Rhythms RC 50168
by Alvin Silverstein and others
read by Corrie James
1 cassette
Discusses the concept of time and its relationship to biological cycles, including phases of the moon, internal clocks of plants and animals, seasonal rhythms, and the aging process. Includes a glossary and a list of Internet resources. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Just a Few Words, Mr. Lincoln: The Story of the Gettysburg Address RC 50176
by Jean Fritz
read by Rick Foucheux
1 cassette
Provides background material on the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln, and his reason for making a speech at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, on Novem-

ber 19, 1863. Includes a copy of the text. For grades 2-4. 1993.

Tooth Decay and Cavities RC 50182
by Alvin Silverstein and others
read by Rick Foucheux
1 cassette
Discusses the anatomy of a tooth, brushing technique, and the role of a dentist in maintaining dental health. Also explains tooth decay—how it's caused and how to prevent it. For grades 3-6. 1999.

Allergies RC 50185
by Alvin Silverstein and others
read by Rick Foucheux
1 cassette
Discusses the nature and effects of allergies—different kinds, who gets them, how they develop, and how they are treated. Includes a glossary, a list of organizations, and online sites for more information. For grades 3-6. 1999.

Pretend Soup and Other Real Recipes: A Cookbook for Preschoolers and Up RC 50207
by Mollie Katzen and Ann Henderson
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Nineteen fun-to-make recipes for healthy dishes like bagel faces, green spaghetti, pretend soup (requires no cooking), muffins with a surprise inside, and pizza. Designed to help young children learn independence in cooking, under the guidance of an adult "partner." Includes safety tips. For preschool-grade 2 and older readers. 1994.

Do You Remember the Color Blue? And Other Questions Kids Ask about Blindness RC 50319
by Sally Hobart Alexander
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
A writer who went blind at age twenty-six answers questions that children have frequently asked during her visits to schools. She discusses reading, working with her guide dog, meeting her husband, and parenting her two children, as well as her reactions to being blind. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Robots Rising RC 50455
by Carol Sonenklar
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Explores trends in the science of robotics. Describes the use of robots for such hazardous duties as disarming a murder suspect or evaluating damage to a nuclear reactor. Discusses the development of robots to function in space and medical programs, and even in sports competitions. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Is There Life on Mars? RC 50468
by Dennis Brindell Fradin
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Historical survey of theories about life on Mars, from ancient civilizations' perceptions to twentieth-century space exploration. Discusses evidence of canals and Percival Lowell's studies of them, discoveries made by the Mariner and Viking missions, and possibilities of future colonization by earthlings. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Egypt: Ancient Traditions, Modern Hopes RC 50557
by David C. King
read by Don Feldheim
1 cassette
Basic information on this north African nation, land of the pharaohs and pyramids, covers geography and history; the people; family life, festivals, and food; school and recreation; and the arts. Country facts and a glossary are included. For grades 4-7. 1997.

The Sheriff of Rottenshot: Poems RC 50840
by Jack Prelutsky
read by Alexander Scourby
1 cassette (Reissue)
A collection of original punning poems including "Kermit Keene," "The Soggy Frog," and "The Seven Sneezes of Cecil Snedde." For grades 2-4 and older readers. 1982.

Cassettes Fiction

Horse Shy: The Saddle Club, Book 2 RC 48500
by Bonnie Bryant
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Horse-crazy Carole, Lisa, and Stevie are enjoying their ride on the annual overnight trip from Pine Hollow Stables. The only glitch is that wealthy and irresponsible Veronica won't listen to instructions. Her carelessness leads to tragedy. For grades 4-7. 1988.

Irish Fairy Tales and Legends RC 48690
retold by Una Leavy
read by Timothy Lynch
1 cassette
Ten traditional Irish stories about fairies, giants, heroes, good and evil, and love and tragedy. A young boy called Setanta proves his bravery when Culann's fierce dog attacks him and proves his honor by replacing the dog with his own service in "How Cúchulainn Got His Name." For grades 3-6. 1996.

The Crown of Dalemark: The Dalemark Quartet, Book 4 RC 48852
by Diana Wynne Jones
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
3 cassettes
Mitt, who felt he had found refuge in North Dalemark, is ordered to kill Noreth Onesdaughter, a girl who aspires to rule Dalemark and reunite North and South. Instead, Mitt joins forces with her. This book contains a "Guide to Dalemark." Sequel to *The Spellcoats (RC 48851)*. For grades 6-9. 1993.

The Complete Fairy Tales of Charles Perrault RC 49235
by Charles Perrault
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
Eleven classic fairy tales: "Sleeping Beauty," "Little Red Riding Hood," "Bluebeard," "Puss-in-Boots," "The Fairies," "Cinderella," "Tufty Ricky," "Hop o' My Thumb," "Patient Griselda," "Donkeyskin," and "The Foolish Wishes." An afterword contains notes on Perrault and each story. New translation from French originals of 1697 and earlier. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1993.

Moose Tracks RC 49322
by Mary Casanova
read by June Carter
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Seth lives with his

mother and game warden stepfather in the Minnesota woods. When the boy witnesses poachers shooting a cow moose, the men try to scare him into silence. Although terrified, Seth is determined to save the moose calf that escaped. Prequel to *Wolf Shadows (RC 49323)*. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Jack on the Tracks: Four Seasons of Fifth Grade RC 49324
by Jack Gantos
read by Arnie Warren
1 cassette
In this prequel to *Heads or Tails (RC 46344)*, Jack and his family move to Florida. Despite trying to be adult, Jack is accidentally involved in multiple cat deaths, worried that he is too obsessed with grossness, and forced by his angry sister to stand naked by the tracks. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Frozen Summer RC 49325
by Mary Jane Auch
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
In 1816, Mem, now twelve, and her family have settled in Genesee County in western New York. When Mem's mother has a baby, she falls into a depression, leaving Mem with the responsibility to care for her younger brother, Joshua, and the baby. Sequel to *Journey to Nowhere (RC 47447)*. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Bunnicula Strikes Again! RC 49326
by James Howe
read by June Carter
1 cassette
Harold, the canine author, describes the events that disrupted the Monroe household where he lives with Chester (a cat), Howie (a puppy), and Bunnicula (a rabbit with fangs). It all starts with Bunnicula looking listless, and Chester saying he has the matter under control. Companion to *Return to Howliday Inn (RC 36904)*. For grades 3-6. 1999.

The Good Liar RC 49327
by Gregory Maguire
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
When three Florida classmates must find someone old enough to discuss World War II, they write to the artist Marcel Delarue, who grew up in France's Loire Valley. Marcel responds with tales of his childhood and the summer he and his brother befriended a German soldier. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Between the Dragon and the Eagle RC 49356
by Mical Schneider
read by Constance Crawford
1 cassette
A story about traders traveling the Silk Road in the first century A.D. In central China Han Tzu prepares for his first trip as caravan leader to carry a wealthy merchant's goods and his own bolt of blue silk to sell in Parthia on the way to Rome. For grades 4-7. 1997.

Missing Girls RC 49366
by Lois Metzger
read by Constance Crawford
1 cassette
In 1967, eighth-grader Carrie is staying with her immigrant grandmother, Mutti, while her widowed father is away. Carrie finds her life empty, except when she's around the vivacious mother of her new friend, Mona. But Mona seems more impressed by what Carrie's mother and Mutti endured during World War II. For grades 6-9. 1999.

School Trouble for Andy Russell RC 49524
by David A. Adler
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Andy and Tamika (RC 49523)*, Andy is thrilled when his fourth-grade teacher, Ms. Roman, gets sick. Now he won't be picked on for daydreaming! But much to Andy's dismay, the substitute teacher blames him for pranks played by other students. A beginning chapter book. For grades 2-4. 1999.

Aliens Stole My Body RC 49530
by Bruce Coville
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
In this sequel to *The Search for Snout (RC 49529)* BKR, the "cruelest being in the universe," stole Rod Allbright's body to get his brain. Which is why Rod's brain is secretly transferred to a one-eyed alien named Seymour. How will Rod and his dad recover his body? For grades 4-7. 1998.

Shadow Spinner RC 49550
by Susan Fletcher
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
Thirteen-year-old Marjan, a crippled Persian servant girl, is a gifted storyteller. Because of her talent, she is ordered to join the sultan's harem but soon escapes to search for the perfect story to melt the sultan's heart and to save the life of his wife, Shahrazad. For grades 5-8. 1998.

The Crystal Pool: Myths and Legends of the World RC 49699
by Geraldine McCaughrean
read by Corrie James
1 cassette
Retellings of twenty-eight tales from all parts of the globe. Contains "Lamia" from India, "The Pied Piper" from Germany, "Isis and Osiris" from ancient Egypt, "Gull-Girl" from Siberia, "The Crystal Pool" from Melanesia, and "The Sky-Blue Storybox" from Ghana, among others. For grades 4-7. 1998.

We Goddesses: Athena, Aphrodite, Hera RC 49725
by Doris Orgel
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
Three Greek immortals—Athena, goddess of wisdom; Aphrodite, goddess of love; and Hera, goddess of marriage—tell their own stories. The introduction provides background on the society and religion of ancient Greece. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1999.

Not My Dog RC 49751
by Colby Rodowsky
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
Eight-year-old Ellie has to give up her lifelong dream of having her own puppy because her parents agree to adopt great-aunt Margaret's dog. At first Ellie refuses to warm up to Preston, a smart and brave brown mutt, but gradually she comes to love him. For grades 2-4. 1999.

Basket Moon RC 49834
by Mary Lyn Ray
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
A boy is eager to take up the family craft of basketry and walk down the

mountain with his father to sell their wares. When he finally goes to town, the boy is humiliated by taunts that he and his father are bushwhackers with hillbilly baskets. For grades 2-4. 1999.

Water Rat RC 49842
by Marnie Laird
read by Michael Scherer
1 cassette
Delaware Bay, 1748. Fourteen-year-old crippled orphan Matt "Water Rat" Burton works long hours for an abusive tavern owner. Then Matt goes to live on the Campbell family farm, where he uses his knowledge of the local waterways to uncover the secret hideout of marauding pirates. For grades 6-9. 1998.

Shibumi and the Kitemaker RC 49847
by Mercer Mayer
read by MaryBeth Wise
1 cassette
The emperor's daughter, Shibumi, flies on a giant kite above the squalid city outside the palace in the hope of persuading her father to improve his people's living conditions. But the decision is not just between her and her father, and Shibumi risks never seeing her father again. For grades 2-4. 1999.

I Was a Rat! RC 49859
by Philip Pullman
read by David Cutler
1 cassette
At the same time that a prince announces his marriage (to a mysterious girl), a young boy appears at an elderly couple's house. They take him in, but when they question him about his past, he says only, "I was a rat!" For grades 4-7. 1999.

One-of-a-Kind Mallie RC 49861
by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Growing up in Indiana during World War I, ten-year-old Mallie is frustrated with her life as an identical twin to her sister Hallie. Mallie barters with gypsies for some dye to change her matching new dress—but with disastrous results. Companion to *Ruthie's Gift (RC 46625)*. For grades 3-6. 1999.

Babe and Me: A Baseball Card Adventure RC 49917
by Dan Gutman
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Jackie and Me (RC 49916)*, Joe Stoshack takes his father with him when he time travels back to 1932 to watch a historic moment in Babe Ruth's career. Babe supposedly "called the shot" by pointing to where his home-run hit would land. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Dave at Night RC 49935
by Gail Carson Levine
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
When his father dies and none of his relatives will take him in, Dave goes to live at the HHB—the Hebrew Home for Boys. To escape the cruel treatment he receives there, he sneaks out at night and discovers real friends in the cultural world of the Harlem Renaissance. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Ragweed RC 49960
by Avi
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
After bidding fond farewells to his

family, Ragweed, a four-month-old golden mouse, strikes out to explore the world beyond his home at the brook. Eager for excitement and unmindful of cats, Ragweed hops a freight train to the city. Prequel to *Poppy (RC 42709)*. For grades 3-6. 1999.

George and Martha: The Complete Stories of Two Best Friends RC 49973
by James Marshall
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
This single volume contains all seven of Marshall's books—thirty-five stories—about two hippopotamuses, George and Martha. By sharing their humorous adventures and forgiving each other's failings, George and Martha demonstrate how to be true friends. For grades 2-4. 1988.

The Adventures of Captain Underpants: An Epic Novel RC 49974
by Dav Pilkey
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Two mischievous fourth graders, George and Harold, enjoy writing their own comic books about superhero Captain Underpants, who flies around in his underwear. Then one day they hypnotize their principal into thinking that he is Captain Underpants, and they have some amazing adventures with him. For grades 2-4. 1997.

Turtle Island: Tales of the Algonquian Nations RC 49983
retold by Jane Louise Curry
read by Michael Scherer
1 cassette
Collection of twenty-seven tales with an introduction to Algonquian Indian culture; describes variations among the group's numerous tribes, which are found in the eastern United States and Canada. The title story recounts how a turtle's back became the Earth's foundation after a great flood. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Me and Rupert Goody RC 49992
by Barbara O'Connor
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Eleven-year-old Jennalee escapes from her hectic family life by spending time with the general-store owner, "Uncle Beau." She is astonished and hurt when a black man named Rupert Goody, who claims to be the son of white Uncle Beau, appears to be taking her place. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Thumbeline RC 49999
by Hans Christian Andersen
read by Corrie James
1 cassette
The adventures of Thumbeline, a tiny little girl so named because she is the size of a person's thumb. After dangerous encounters with a toad, a mole, and other field animals, she is rescued by a friendly swallow. He flies her south, where she meets a little prince in a flower. For grades K-3. 1985.

A Time Apart RC 50130
by Diane Stanley
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
At thirteen, Ginny is abruptly sent to her divorced father's home in England while her mother undergoes cancer treatment in Houston. Ginny is shocked to realize that her anthropologist father and others are living as an Iron Age community, cut off from the world. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1999.

More Adventures of the Great Brain
RC 50189
by John D. Fitzgerald
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette (Reissue)
Adenville, Utah; 1896. Eleven-year-old Tom, known as "the Great Brain" because of his ingenious schemes, terrorizes the entire town when he plants fake dinosaur tracks from Skeleton Cave to the river. For grades 4-7. 1969.

The Great Brain RC 50191
by John D. Fitzgerald
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette (Reissue)
Tom Fitzgerald, known as "the Great Brain," has swindled practically every kid in Adenville, Utah. But he also uses his brain power to rescue two friends from death in a cave and to teach a Greek boy how to fight off the neighborhood bully. For grades 4-7. 1967.

George Washington's Breakfast
RC 50204
by Jean Fritz
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette (Reissue)
Young George W. Allen, who shares both the name and birthday of the first president, is determined to find out what his namesake ate for breakfast. His search takes him to the library, to the attic, and to Mount Vernon. For grades 2-4. 1969.

Center Court Sting RC 50215
by Matt Christopher
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Daren, a star basketball player, blames everyone else when something goes wrong. When he bad-mouths one of his teammates, however, he has gone too far and caused problems with morale. Can he learn to accept defeat, or will he be forced to leave the team? For grades 4-7. 1998.

Anson's Way RC 50223
by Gary D. Schmidt
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette
Following family tradition, young Englishman Anson Staplyton proudly enlists as a drummer boy under the command of his father, who leads peacekeeping troops in Ireland for King George II. But Anson is soon shocked by the atrocities committed against the peasants and must choose between his conscience and his king. For grades 5-8. 1999.

The Dark Is Rising RC 50256
by Susan Cooper
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Will Stanton, eleven, learns that he is the last of the Old Ones—immortals dedicated to controlling the forces of evil. Will's quest is to find the Signs of Light to defeat the Dark. Sequel to *Over Sea, under Stone (RC 45567)*. For grades 4-7 and older readers. Newbery Honor. 1973.

Greenwitch RC 50257
by Susan Cooper
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette (Reissue)
Despite the dangers, the Drew children and Will Stanton must retrieve the golden grail that the forces of the Dark have stolen. And Jane Drew receives a strange gift from the Greenwitch after witnessing a nightlong ceremony. Sequel to *The Dark Is Rising (RC 50256)*. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1974.

Pinky and Rex RC 50314
by James Howe
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Pinky loves his large collection of stuffed animals and the color pink. His best friend, Rex, adores her equally large collection of dinosaurs. When they go to the museum, they both want to buy a pink dinosaur—but there is only one. Easy chapter book. For grades K-3. 1990.

Pinky and Rex and the Spelling Bee RC 50328
by James Howe
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Excited about holding on to his position as the best speller in the second grade, Pinky does something embarrassing. His best friend, Rex, who had her own spelling embarrassment, manages to cheer him up. Easy chapter book. For grades K-3. 1991.

Jamie O'Rourke and the Pooka RC 50340
by Tomie dePaola
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Jamie O'Rourke is the laziest man in all of Ireland. When his wife visits her sister for a week, she leaves Jamie plenty of food and a clean house. Then his friends come visiting and leave a mess behind. Jamie gets some help from an unexpected source. For grades K-3. 2000.

Hannah and the Whistling Teakettle RC 50341
by Mindy Warshaw Skolsky
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
When Hannah goes to visit her grandparents in the Bronx, she chooses a new whistling teakettle for a gift because her grandmother doesn't like fun gifts—only necessities. But her grandmother is not persuaded to keep it until two robbers enter her shop. For grades K-3. 2000.

Sylvester and the Magic Pebble RC 50353
by William Steig
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette (Reissue)
Frightened by an approaching lion, Sylvester the donkey asks his magic pebble to turn him into a rock. But, then, Sylvester is unable to grasp the pebble and wish himself back to normal. For grades K-3. Caldecott Medal. 1969.

Three Cheers for Catherine the Great RC 50354
by Cari Best
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Sara's Russian grandmother will soon celebrate her birthday, but she has asked for no presents. Sara's mother explains that sometimes the best gifts come from the heart. It takes Sara a whole week to decide what to give her grandmother. For grades K-3. 1999.

Getting Near to Baby RC 50374
by Audrey Couloumbis
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Still reeling from the sudden death of their baby sister, Willa Jo and JoAnn (called "Little Sister") are whisked away to an aunt's house while their mother, Noreen, recovers from depression. Unhappy with Aunt Patty's bossy ways, Willa Jo and the now mute Little

Sister retreat to the roof. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Sarah and the Naked Truth RC 50446
by Elisa Carbone
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Starting School with an Enemy (RC 49882)*, Sarah from Maine and her friend Christina from El Salvador welcome Olivia from Trinidad into their Maryland neighborhood. All three ten-year-olds face different problems involving mistaken identity, which they help one another solve. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Nightbirds on Nantucket RC 50622
by Joan Aiken
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette (Reissue)
Dido Twite, a girl from the London streets, awakens from a ten-month coma to find herself aboard a Nantucket whaling ship. Strange events unfold as she discovers that the captain is chasing a pink whale and there is a plot to blow up the king's palace in London. For grades 4-7. 1966.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Casi una Mujer RC 49940
por Esmeralda Santiago
leído por María Pino
3 cassettes
La autora de *Cuando Era Puertorriqueña (RC 40892)* continúa su autobiografía sobre la llegada a la mayoría de edad y sobre su vida como inmigrante puertorriqueña en Nueva York. En camino de hacerse mujer, Santiago logra un equilibrio entre ser puertorriqueña y ser norteamericana. [The author continues her coming-of-age autobiography as a Puerto Rican immigrant in New York City. As she grows into a young woman, she honors her Puerto Rican background while embracing her new life in America. Sequel to *Cuando Era Puertorriqueña (RC 40892)*.] 1999.

La Casa de la Laguna RC 49941
por Rosario Ferré
leído por Juan Ramírez
4 cassettes
En Puerto Rico del siglo XX, Isabel se ocupa escribiendo la crónica de su familia y de su matrimonio. Su esposo descubre el manuscrito y decide contraestarlo escribiendo su propria versión de la historia. Las dos narraciones pintan un cuadro de conflictos políticos, de disputas de poder, y de machismo y racismo que hacen luchar la familia entre sí. (In twentieth-century Puerto Rico, Isabel is writing a novel that depicts her marriage and the family history. Her husband, angered at her account, adds his version of events. The combined stories reveal political conflicts, power struggles, racism, and sexism that pit family members against one another.) 1996.

Vecindarios Excéntricos RC 50008
por Rosario Ferré
leído por María Pino
3 cassettes
La joven Elvira Vernet vive en Puerto Rico durante los años 1940 y 1950 donde es téstigo de las passiones que pasan entre la familia maternal y la familia paternal. La madre de ella, de la familia Santillana, era parte de la clase culta adinerada, mientras la familia de su padre eran hacendados ambiciosos que anhelaban la aceptación social. (Three generations of love-hate relationships between the Santillanas and the Vernets, viewed by young Elvira Vernet in 1940s and 1950s Puerto Rico. Her mother, a Santillana, was part of the privileged landed gentry, while her paternal relatives, the Vernets, were politically ambitious farmers struggling for social acceptance.) 1998.

Arriesgar el Corazón RC 50009
por Eileen Wilkes
leído por Juan Ramírez
1 cassette
Chase McGuire quiere seducir a su guapa jefa, Summer Callaway, y ella también se enamora de él. Sin embargo, Chase es un vaquero aventurero que no se quedaba demasiado tiempo en ninguna parte, y Summer sabe que será difícil lograr un compromiso a largo plazo con él. (Chase McGuire is attracted to his beautiful boss, Summer Callaway, and she also falls for Chase. But he is a modern cowboy who does not let any grass grow under his feet, and Summer knows it will be a tough job getting a long-term commitment out of him.) 1997.

Historias de Amor RC 50286
por Adolfo Bioy Casares
leído por Juan Ramírez
2 cassettes
Muchas veces, el amor da al descontento y a veces da a la locura, al suicidio, y hasta al asesinato. A veces el amor produce malas consecuencias políticas. Sin embargo, la gente no se para en busca de amor. El autor argentino ofrece dieciocho cuentos que ilustran lo que los protagonistas hacen por el amor, aun cuando el resultado sea cruel e irónico. (Love often leads to unhappiness and sometimes to insanity, suicide, and murder. Occasionally love has dire political consequences. Yet people never stop seeking love. These eighteen stories by the Argentinian writer illustrate the extremes to which people will go for love or because of love, even when the results are cruel and ironic.) 1972.

De Oro y Esmeraldas: Mitos, Leyendas y Cuentos Populares de Latinoamérica RC 50287
recontado por y Lulu Delacre
leído por Juan Ramírez
1 cassette
Presentan doce cuentos adaptados del folklore indígena de América Latina. Incluyen cuentos que remontan a los Tainos del Caribe, los Zapotecas de México, los Muiscas de Colombia, y los Incas del Perú y de Bolivia. Para grados 4 a 7 y lectores mayores. (Twelve stories adapted from the Indian folklore of Latin America, including the Tainos of the Caribbean, the Zapotecs of Mexico, the Muiscas of Colombia, and the Incas of Peru and Bolivia. For grades 4-7 and older readers.) 1998.

Talking Book Magazines

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For a free subscription to these magazines, contact your cooperating library.

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Analog Science Fiction and Fact (13 issues)
Asimov's Science Fiction (12 issues)
The Atlantic Monthly (monthly)
Das Beste aus *Reader's Digest* (10 issues)
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Buenhogar (monthly)
Choice Magazine Listening (on loan from cooperating libraries, bimonthly)
Consumer Reports (monthly)
Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (6 issues)
Cricket (for children, on one cassette with **National Geographic World,** monthly)
Diabetes Forecast (monthly)
Discover (monthly)
Ebony (monthly)
Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)
Foreign Affairs (6 issues)
Good Housekeeping (monthly plus special issues)
Health and Nutrition Newsletters (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, Healthline, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty, Mayo Clinic Health Letter** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter,** monthly)
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The Musical Mainstream (4 issues)
The Nation (47 issues)
National Geographic (monthly)
National Geographic World (for children and teens, on one cassette with **Cricket,** monthly)
National Review (25 issues)
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Outdoor Life (monthly)
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Quarterly Music Magazine (4 issues)
Selecciones del *Reader's Digest* (monthly)
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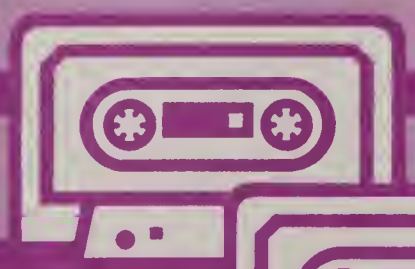

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Self-improvement audio books in Spanish. A range of popular self-help books in Spanish on personal development, business excellence, and leadership is available on audio cassette from Spanish Audios. Authors represented in the catalog include Deepak Chopra, Og Mandino, and Louise Hay; prices range from $12.00 to $29.00, depending on the size of the book. For further information contact: Spanish Audios, a division of Taller del Éxito, Inc., 10100 W. Sample Rd., Suite 403, Coral Springs, FL 33075; telephone (954) 753-7474; fax (954) 753-3404; e-mail <info@spanishaudios.com>; web site <www.spanishaudios.com>.

Plays from L.A. Theatre Works. The new catalog from L.A. Theatre Works lists more than one hundred classic and contemporary plays, musicals, docudramas, and novels, all performed by critically acclaimed professional actors and recorded on audio cassette or CD using state-of-the-art audio technology. Prices for plays on cassette begin at $19.95. Teachers and librarians may wish to visit the L.A. Theatre Works web site for information on promotions, study guides, outreach materials, and special project

packages. The nonprofit corporation, founded in 1974, is committed to producing cutting-edge work in theatre and radio. For further information, contact L.A. Theatre Works, 681 Venice Boulevard, Venice, CA 90291; telephone (310) 827-0808; fax (310) 827-4949; e-mail <latw@latw.org>; web site <www.latw.org>.

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Cassettes Nonfiction

The Proudest Day: India's Long Road to Independence RC 48049
by Anthony Read and David Fisher
read by Michele Schaeffer
5 cassettes
Traces India's transition to democratic self-rule after the British departure in 1947 and chronicles the internal struggles that followed. Examines the inability of the leaders—Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru, Mohammad Jinnah, and Lord Mountbatten—to coordinate efforts to bring the numerous ethnic and religious groups together. 1997.

The World, the World RC 48464
by Norman Lewis
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
Memoirs of a British travel writer emphasizing places visited and people encountered. His peripatetic lifestyle and five-decade search for unspoiled locales include trips to a remote Guatemalan coffee farm, a Welsh island fort, Havana (where he meets Hemingway), and Goa. 1996.

Hadrian: The Restless Emperor RC 48493
by Anthony R. Birley
read by Ted Stoddard
4 cassettes
Biography of the Roman emperor Hadrian (A.D. 76–138), who traveled extensively throughout his empire and constructed massive walls to identify its boundaries. Hadrian promoted Greek cultural influences and attacked Judaea when the Jews resisted Hellenic tradition. Investigates his personal life with his lover Antinous, a Bithynian youth whose death devastated the emperor. 1997.

Hastened to the Grave: The Gypsy Murder Investigation RC 48629
by Jack Olsen
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
Narrative of the investigation of a band of gypsies who preyed on elderly retirees and ultimately murdered them for monetary gain. Aided by a female private detective from San Francisco, Fay "Rat Dog" Faron, the police tracked the Tene Bimbos for five years before charging them with murder. Strong language and violence. 1998.

Huxley: From Devil's Disciple to Evolution's High Priest RC 48637
by Adrian Desmond
read by Gary Telles
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Biography of the nineteenth-century scientist who coined the term "agnostic" and stirred the working class with the theory of evolution. Thomas Huxley supported Charles Darwin in his struggles in the 1860s and shocked Victorian society with his scandalous views. Discusses the social milieu of the time and the increasing importance of scientists. 1997.

Everyone's Guide to Cancer Therapy RC 48691
by Malin Dollinger and others
read by Gregory Gorton
9 cassettes in 2 containers
Synopses of common cancers and how they are treated. Discusses how appropriate therapies are chosen and offers patients coping mechanisms for dealing with the physical and emotional effects of the disease and the treatments. Explores quality-of-life issues and advances in research, diagnosis, and treatment. 1997.

Mars: Uncovering the Secrets of the Red Planet RC 48758
by Paul Raeburn
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
A National Geographic chronicle of Mars exploration. Focuses on the Viking missions of the 1970s, whose primary goal was the search for life, and on the July 4, 1997, *Pathfinder* landing on Mars's surface. Explains the design, engineering, and results of the projects. Discusses plans for future missions. For senior high and older readers. 1998.

The Jock Doc's Body Repair Kit: The New Sports Medicine for Recovery and Increased Performance RC 49049
by Andrew Feldman
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
Director of sports medicine at St. Vincent's Hospital in New York provides instructions on self-diagnosing injuries, determining if medical care or self-treatment is called for, and performing self-treatments and exercises. 1999.

American Diabetes Association Complete Guide to Diabetes: The Ultimate Home Diabetes Reference RC 49100
by American Diabetes Association
read by Michael Consoli
3 cassettes
This guide to managing diabetes explains the two types of the disorder, their causes and symptoms, and the importance of maintaining overall good health. The contributors also discuss handling emergencies, planning meals, selecting diabetic tools, controlling costs, and evaluating health care providers. 1997.

Just Jackie: Her Private Years RC 49210
by Edward Klein
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
Biography of former first lady Jacqueline Kennedy from the time of her husband's assassination until her own death in 1994 at age sixty-four. Reconstructs her life with various suitors, including her second husband Aristotle Onassis and longtime friend Maurice Templesman. Describes her relationships with and hopes for her children. 1998.

Tarzan Forever: The Life of Edgar Rice Burroughs, Creator of Tarzan
RC 49341
by John Taliaferro
read by Constance Crawford
4 cassettes
Biography of the American entrepreneur and pulp-fiction writer who published *Tarzan of the Apes* in 1912, when he was thirty-six. Describes how he capitalized on his creation, turning Tarzan into a popular twentieth-century icon. Recalls his private life—his two marriages and his children—and his career. 1999.

Carl Sagan: A Life in the Cosmos
RC 49347
by William Poundstone
read by Ray Childs
4 cassettes
Biography of the celebrity scientist who sought evidence of extraterrestrial life. Discusses how the topic's appeal made Sagan rich and famous. Covers his scientific and media career; details his personal life and how he used his political influence to support the space program and publicize his concerns. 1999.

Girl Singer: An Autobiography
RC 49352
by Rosemary Clooney
read by Anne Hancock
3 cassettes
Seventyish Clooney discusses her singing career (which began in her teens with her sister), love affairs and famous friends, marriage and five children with philandering movie star José Ferrer, and her 1968 pill-induced breakdown. The nineties brought both marriage to an old flame and a career comeback that included multiple Grammy nominations. 1999.

Last of the Great Scouts RC 49361
by Zane Grey and
Helen Cody Wetmore
read by Don Feldheim
2 cassettes
An account of the adventurous life of Buffalo Bill Cody as narrated by the sister of the legendary Western figure. Traces his childhood in rural Iowa through his years as a mule driver on the Kansas plains, Pony Express rider, Indian fighter, and performer in the world-famous Wild West Show. 1996.

Pushkin's Button RC 49372
by Serena Vitale
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
While focusing on the 1837 duel that ended the Russian poet's life, Vitale portrays nineteenth-century St. Petersburg society. Uses research based on diaries, documents, and letters to chronicle events leading up to the combat. Profiles adventurer Georges d'Anthès, who killed Pushkin, and the woman whose charms provoked the event, Pushkin's wife, Natalya. 1999.

Finding My Voice RC 49385
by Diane Rehm
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
National Public Radio talk show host describes her life and career, including a somewhat troubled childhood with her Washington, D.C., Christian Arab family. Later, as her successful D.C. show went national, Rehm began a battle with a puzzling malady that causes tremors in her voice. 1999.

A Thread of Years RC 49399
by John Lukacs
read by Rick Rohan
3 cassettes
Ordinary characters and a few notable historical figures appear in a series of vignettes portraying the decline in manners, especially in the United States; each chapter covers one year, from 1901 to 1969. A dialog following each scenario allows the author to debate his views with an alter ego. 1998.

A Million a Minute: Inside the World of Securities Trading—the Men, the Women, the Money That Make the Markets Work RC 49403
by Hillary Davis
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
A former equity portfolio manager takes the reader inside the world of traders in the financial markets. Describes their motivations, their ethics, and the dynamic, competitive arena in which they work. Explains how traders influence the price of everything we buy. Projects future trends in the field. 1998.

A Rage to Live: A Biography of Richard and Isabel Burton RC 49407
by Mary S. Lovell
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Dual biography of Richard Burton, a nineteenth-century writer, explorer, and translator, and his wife, Isabel. Traces their youth in Europe, his translation of the erotic literature *The Arabian Nights* and *Kama Sutra* into English, and expeditions in East Africa, India, and Egypt. Discusses the supportive relationship between the couple. 1998.

The Seasons of Rome: A Journal RC 49488
by Paul Hofmann
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
A former *New York Times* bureau chief who lived in Rome off and on for over five decades portrays events of one year in the mid-1990s. Vignettes depict city residents' nonchalant attitude toward the pope, the erratic mail service, the growing number of young pensioners, and a local opera company. 1997.

Secrets of the Flesh: A Life of Colette RC 49547
by Judith Thurman
read by Gabriella Cavallero
5 cassettes
A biography of the provocative early-twentieth-century French author. Provides psychological insights into Colette's marriages, music hall career, affairs with women and younger men, and literary works, such as *Gigi (RC 12794)* and *Sido (RC 32504)*. Bestseller 1999.

Playing Indian RC 49554
by Philip J. Deloria
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Explores Anglo Americans' penchant for emulating Native Americans—adopting their attire, traditions, and images. Traces this pattern from the Boston Tea Party to the formation of various cultural organizations throughout U.S. history. Avers that such "Indian play" was essential to the development of a national identity. 1998.

Carnival Evening: New and Selected Poems, 1968–1998 RC 49588
by Linda Pastan
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
A collection of short poems that probe the experiences, thoughts, and feelings of everyday life. The title poem is a deft work on the theme of Henri Rousseau's painting by that name. 1998.

Dreaming with His Eyes Open: A Life of Diego Rivera RC 49684
by Patrick Marnham
read by Peter Gil
3 cassettes
Biography of the early twentieth-century Mexican muralist. Describes his friendship with Picasso in Paris, his communist leanings, and his series of love affairs, including his tumultuous relationship with Frida Kahlo. Discusses his devotion to his art and his tendency to embellish his past. 1998.

Rockne of Notre Dame: The Making of a Football Legend RC 49690
by Ray Robinson
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Robinson briefly touches on Knute Rockne's childhood and playing years, then focuses on the Norwegian-born football coach's career at Notre Dame from 1918 to 1930. Describes Rockne as a "complicated, (and) enormously ambitious man," who was a master of player motivation. 1999.

The Genteel Tradition: Nine Essays RC 49700
by George Santayana
read by David Elias
2 cassettes
Essays by a Spanish-born philosopher on the culture of his adopted homeland, the United States. Santayana coins the term "genteel tradition" to describe a divided American mentality—progressive in practical affairs but conservative in religion, literature, and "the higher things of the mind." 1967.

The Kamikazes RC 49713
by Edwin P. Hoyt
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
An account of Japan's kamikaze special attack forces that were formed to defend their homeland against the approaching Allies in October 1944. Explains how the belief that their self-sacrifice would ensure an eternal reward enabled the young aviators to inflict damage on three hundred warships and to kill or wound fifteen thousand troops. 1983.

The Travellers' Guide to Mars: Don't Leave Earth without It RC 49723
by Michael Pauls and Dana Facaros
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
Since more families are considering Mars for their vacations, the authors have developed a humorous yet factual guide to educate tourists (and others) about the Red Planet. Describes Martian geography, the history of Mars in myth and popular culture, and its space-age exploration. For senior high and older readers. 1997.

Living When a Young Friend Commits Suicide: Or Even Starts Talking about It RC 49770
by Earl A. Grollman and Max Malikow
read by Candy Shannon
1 cassette
Grief counselors present a thorough discussion of suicide specifically for teenagers. Examines survivors' feelings

and how to cope with those reactions, why people commit suicide and how to help someone suicidal, religious issues, and popular misconceptions. Lists additional resources. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

First across the Continent: Sir Alexander Mackenzie RC 49781
by Barry Gough
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Portrait of the intrepid Scottish explorer who ventured across North America in 1793, driven by dreams of wealth from the fur trade. His efforts to establish British control over northwestern trade routes inspired both the 1803 Louisiana Purchase and the 1805 Lewis and Clark expedition. 1997.

Seductive Journey: American Tourists in France from Jefferson to the Jazz Age RC 49797
by Harvey Levenstein
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Examines the changes in the types of American travelers and their motives for touring France during the first 150 years of U.S. history. Initially an experience reserved for the wealthy, tourism becomes increasingly open to the middle class as cultural interests are gradually supplanted by recreational travel. 1998.

Suits Me: The Double Life of Billy Tipton RC 49817
by Diane Wood Middlebrook
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Describes the life and career of jazz musician Billy Tipton, who passed as a man during her entire career, fooling friends, numerous wives, and adopted sons. Born Dorothy in 1914, Tipton used her Billy identity from age nineteen until her death in 1989. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Conversations with Wilder RC 49823
by Cameron Crowe
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
Crowe, himself a movie director, recounts the interviews he conducted with Billy Wilder over a period of more than a year, when Wilder was already in his nineties. Topics include movie stars, screenwriting, set designs, studios, behind-the-scenes stories, and films of the late twentieth century. Bestseller 1999.

Appointment at the Ends of the World: Memoirs of a Wildlife Veterinarian RC 49831
by William B. Karesh
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
Autobiography of a veterinarian for the Wildlife Conservation Society who travels throughout the world for the association and for other government agencies. He describes the animals he treats as well as the occupational hazards of disease, attack—both human and animal—and deadly predators. 1999.

Outsider, Insider: An Unlikely Success Story; the Memoirs of Andrew Heiskell RC 49849
by Andrew Heiskell
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
A media tycoon recounts his path from obscurity to the chairmanship of Time Inc. Traces his nomadic youth in Europe, his arrival in America during the depression, and his meteoric ascent in the publishing industry. Offers candid

insights into the risky and intensely competitive magazine business. 1998.

The Operator: David Geffen Builds, Buys, and Sells the New Hollywood RC 49945
by Tom King
read by Michael Scherer
4 cassettes
Discusses the show business mogul's career, which began in the William Morris mail room and grew to include pivotal roles in the record industry, Broadway, and the movies. Also examines the billionaire's personal life, including a 1970s relationship with Cher and the public announcement of his homosexuality in 1992. Strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Between Silk and Cyanide: A Codemaker's War, 1941–1945 RC 49964
by Leo Marks
read by George Holmes
4 cassettes
Witty memoir of a British cryptographer's exploits during World War II. Describes how, as a brash youth, he revitalized the Special Operations Executive —a unit for secret agents parachuting into Europe—by devising a code issued on lightweight silk. Discusses other in-house efforts to simplify and expedite messages from those in the field. 1998.

Mozart: A Cultural Biography RC 49965
by Robert W. Gutman
read by Dennis Rooney
8 cassettes in 2 containers
Presents the Austrian composer's life and music within the political and social context of eighteenth-century Europe. Describes his early tours as a child prodigy and his evolution as a performer and composer. Analyzes Mozart's work and its reception by his contemporaries. 1999.

Tempting Fate RC 49978
by Bob Rahn
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
Memoir of an experimental test pilot who flew attack and fighter aircraft for twenty-two years before joining the aerospace program. Rahn's lifetime interest in aviation began in 1927 when Charles Lindbergh visited his hometown. Recounts numerous inspiring and hair-raising experiences aloft. 1997.

Traitors among Us: Inside the Spy Catcher's World RC 49979
by Stuart A. Herrington
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
A U.S. Army colonel recounts his real-life espionage investigations during the Cold War. His counterintelligence duties in West Berlin resulted in two major cases: the exposure and capture of Soviet spies Clyde Conrad and James Hall. 1999.

Monty Python Speaks! John Cleese, Terry Gilliam, Eric Idle, Terry Jones, and Michael Palin (and a Few of Their Friends and Collaborators) Recount an Amazing—and Silly—Thirty-Year Spree in Television and Film—in Their Own Words, Squire! RC 49984
by David Morgan
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
Thirty years after the comedy group was formed, its members look back on their collaborations. Strong language. 1999.

Beyond the Influence: Understanding and Defeating Alcoholism RC 49986
by Katherine Ketcham and William F. Asbury
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Using scientific research, the authors make the case that alcoholism is a medical disease resulting from abnormalities in brain chemistry. Explains how to diagnose the condition and proposes that treatment programs include psychological and spiritual elements. Investigates fallacies promoted by the liquor industry. Foreword by former Senator George McGovern. 2000.

A Private Life of Henry James: Two Women and His Art RC 49987
by Lyndall Gordon
read by Faith Potts
4 cassettes
Portraits of two women—both meeting untimely deaths—who exerted lasting influence on James's literary work. One is his free-spirited cousin Mary (Minny) Temple, who died of tuberculosis at age twenty-four in 1870. The second is Constance Fenimore Woolson, an American writer James knew from 1879 to her death in 1894 in Venice. 1998.

AIDS: An All-About Guide for Young Adults RC 49988
by Alvin Silverstein and others
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
A concise account of the AIDS virus, similar to the authors' previous title, *AIDS: Deadly Threat (RC 25945)*. Includes a definition and research update on the disease, as well as information about the history, diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of the illness. For senior high and older readers. 1999.

The Substance of Civilization: Materials and Human History from the Stone Age to the Age of Silicon RC 49991
by Stephen L. Sass
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Chronicles the role of physical substances in the evolution of human civilization, asserting that "materials not only affect the destinies of nations but define the periods within which they rise and fall." Traces developments from the military use of iron during biblical times to the reliance on silicon in the information age. 1998.

We Die Alone RC 49996
by David Howarth
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Chronicles a daring covert landing of Allied commandos in German-occupied Norway in 1943. The small force of invaders was soon betrayed and, except for one, Jan Baalsrud, killed by the Nazis. Recounts Baalsrud's his harrowing escape, aided by courageous Norwegian villagers, to neutral Sweden. Violence. 1955.

Journey among Warriors: The Memoirs of a Marine RC 49997
by Victor Croizat
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Memoir of a Marine Corps officer who served his country in war and diplomacy for twenty-six years. Recounts the Pacific island assaults in World War II using amphibious craft that he helped develop, his years in diplomatic liaison around the world, and his time in Vietnam before retiring in 1966. 1997.

God's Perfect Child: Living and Dying in the Christian Science Church
RC 50001
by Caroline Fraser
read by Mary Kane
4 cassettes
Fraser, a former Christian Scientist, offers a history of the Church of Christ, Scientist. Following a biographical account of founder Mary Baker Eddy, whose doctrine states that "man is a perfect manifestation of a perfect God," Fraser traces the church's development from a small, peculiar sect to a politically powerful religion, now in decline. 1999.

My Turn at Bat: The Story of My Life
RC 50016
by Ted Williams
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Autobiography of top-hitting baseball player Ted Williams, beginning with his childhood in San Diego and his first contract—at age seventeen—with the minor-league Padres in 1936 for $150 per month. Reminisces about his career with the Boston Red Sox, his military service, and his years as a manager. 1969.

Wagner without Fear: Learning to Love—and Even Enjoy—Opera's Most Demanding Genius RC 50021
by William Berger
read by Gordon Gould
3 cassettes
After a summary of Richard Wagner's life, the author examines his mature operas. Provides a guide to performances of such works as *The Flying Dutchman*, *Lohengrin*, *Tristan und Isolde*, and *Der Ring des Nibelungen*. Concludes with commentary on Wagner's influence on everyday culture. 1998.

Wonders of the African World
RC 50022
by Henry Louis Gates
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
A Harvard professor's travels on the African continent, exploring ideas about archaeology, ancient civilizations, history, and cultural identity. Discusses the heritage of Nubia, Ethiopia, and Timbuktu and the impact of Swahili as a unifying factor in East Africa. Concludes his travelog in South Africa and Zimbabwe. 1999.

No Go the Bogeyman: Scaring, Lulling, and Making Mock RC 50024
by Marina Warner
read by Frank Coffee
3 cassettes
Examines art, folktales, and myths for themes of terror usually manifest in male figures such as bogeys, giants, ogres, and cannibals. Develops into "a cultural exploration of fear, its vehicles, and its ambiguous charge of pleasure and pain." Spans material dating from ancient Greece to modern Hollywood. 1998.

The Death of Innocence: The Untold Story of JonBenét's Murder and How Its Exploitation Compromised the Pursuit of Truth RC 50029
by John Ramsey and Patsy Ramsey
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
John and Patsy Ramsey describe their ordeal following the murder of their daughter, JonBenét, on Christmas Day 1996. They discuss the events following the discovery of a ransom note, the police investigation, and the accusations

made by the media condemning them, and they offer possible theories about what actually happened. Bestseller 2000.

The Cowboy Way: Seasons of a Montana Ranch RC 50045
by David McCumber
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
A journalist's memoir of his year spent working as a hired hand on a central Montana ranch. At forty-four the author quit his job, divorced, and returned to the land of his grandfather to experience the life of a cowboy. 1999.

Aias [Ajax] RC 50085
by Sophocles
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Modern translation by Herbert Golder and Richard Pevear of a lesser-known Sophocles tragedy in which the valiant hero Aias is betrayed by his comrades, who secretly confer the dead Achilles' armor on Aias's rival, Odysseus. The shamed Aias sees no honorable course but suicide. 1999.

The Best Alternative Medicine: What Works? What Does Not? RC 50092
by Kenneth R. Pelletier
read by Butch Hoover
4 cassettes
Director of Stanford's complementary and alternative medicine program discusses pros and cons of various therapies including traditional Chinese medicine, Western herbal medicine, naturopathy, homeopathy, chiropractic, dietary supplements, Ayurvedic medicine, yoga, spirituality, and more. Advises which therapies work best for specific conditions. 2000.

Reversing Hypertension: A Vital New Program to Prevent, Treat, and Reduce High Blood Pressure RC 50159
by Julian Whitaker
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Outlines a program designed to reduce high blood pressure without medication or with less medication. Components include reducing body fat, taking supplements, stopping smoking and drinking, eating low-glycemic foods, drinking more water, exercising, and trying alternative therapies, including acupuncture. Includes recipes. 2000.

Overcoming Male Infertility RC 50160
by Leslie R. Schover and Anthony J. Thomas
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
A clinical psychologist and a urologist, both specializing in infertility, describe the male reproductive system and the workup of tests for those experiencing infertility. Discusses various diagnoses and their treatments, assisted reproductive technology, donor sperm, adoption, living without children, and coping with infertility. 2000.

The Complete Book of Fishing: Tackle, Techniques, Species, Bait RC 50161
by John Wilson and others
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Five expert fishermen present a guide to many aspects of their sport—types of tackle and bait, various techniques, popular species, and how to "read the water." Emphasizes English approaches but notes comparisons with North American waters. Includes tips on finding good spots. 1997.

The Best American Sports Writing of the Century RC 50162
edited by David Halberstam
read by Bruce Huntey
6 cassettes
A selection of more than fifty articles describing twentieth-century sporting events. Includes authors Gay Talese, Tom Wolfe, Mike Royko, Ring Lardner, Jimmy Breslin, John Updike, and George Plimpton. Profiles athletes such as Ty Cobb, Babe Ruth, Mohammad Ali, Joe DiMaggio, and Jackie Robinson. Some strong language. 1999.

Which Lie Did I Tell? More Adventures in the Screen Trade RC 50163
by William Goldman
read by Ray Hagen
3 cassettes
Screenwriter Goldman continues his revelations about Hollywood moviemaking begun in *Adventures in the Screen Trade (RC 21633)*. Critically analyzes films and discusses the pros and cons of the screenwriter's life. Some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

The Heart of a Family: Searching America for New Traditions That Fulfill Us RC 50169
by Meg Cox
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
When starting her family, the author researched rituals of kinship, which she presents here in three sections covering: the psychology, history, and sociology of rituals and how they benefit children; the wide variety of family traditions that exist; and the creation and change of such practices. 1998.

Lost and Found: Dogs, Cats, and Everyday Heroes at a Country Animal Shelter RC 50170
by Elizabeth Hess
read by Nanette Savard
2 cassettes
Explores behind the scenes in an animal shelter in upstate New York. Discusses the interaction between animals and humans and evaluates the interworking between those who discard and those who care for these creatures. Observes that families with infants and people with limited time should not adopt pets. 1998.

The Lion's Pride: Theodore Roosevelt and His Family in Peace and War RC 50173
by Edward J. Renehan
read by Peter Gil
2 cassettes
Portrait of a privileged and patriotic leading family whose men served and sacrificed in America's conflicts. Chronicles Theodore Roosevelt's derring-do in the Spanish-American War and the valiant service of his four sons in World War I, resulting in the death of one and serious injury to two others. 1998.

Absolute Zero and the Conquest of Cold RC 50177
by Tom Shachtman
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
Historical survey of Western scientists' efforts to control cold. Discusses Boyle's experiments in the seventeenth century, the invention of the sealed glass thermometer, the work of Fahrenheit and Celsius, the discovery of refrigeration, twentieth-century research on attaining absolute zero, and related top-

ics of superconductivity and superfluidity. 1999.

Three by Tennessee: *Sweet Bird of Youth, The Rose Tattoo, The Night of the Iguana*
RC 50178
by Tennessee Williams
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
Three classic plays by the Pulitzer Prize-winning dramatist. In *Sweet Bird of Youth*, a gigolo returns to his southern hometown. *The Night of the Iguana* is set in a run-down Mexican tourist hotel. In *The Rose Tattoo*, a Sicilian widow finds love. Some violence and some strong language. 1961.

Return to Midway RC 50181
by Robert D. Ballard and
Rick Archbold
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Fifty-six years after the fateful World War II sea and air conflict, underwater explorer Ballard returns in search of the lost ships. Describes the events of June 4, 1942, and the author's discovery of sunken remains. 1999.

Social Security: The Phony Crisis
RC 50184
by Dean Baker and Mark Weisbrot
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Challenges the widespread belief that the Social Security system is a demographic "time bomb" that will become insolvent by 2034. Assuming continued economic growth at the 1998 rate, the authors argue, the fund will never run short of money. They suggest that some "reformers" have ulterior motives. 1999.

King Hussein: A Life on the Edge
RC 50188
by Roland Dallas
read by David Elias
2 cassettes
Biography of the late king of Jordan, including his family origins, his four marriages, and the major events of his forty-six-year reign up to his death from cancer in 1999. Describes Hussein's achievements—which include a stable economy, strong public institutions, and peace—along with his failures. 1999.

The Healing Circle: Authors Writing of Recovery RC 50192
edited by Patricia Foster and
Mary Swander
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Explores strategies of recovery for people with chronic illnesses or long-term injuries from accidents. The writers, including such literary artists as Jane Smiley, Dennis Covington, and Andrew Sullivan, discuss disability and recovery in the context of personal experience. Examines the notion that healing through imagination is an act of courage. 1998.

Fraud! How to Protect Yourself from Schemes, Scams, and Swindles
RC 50194
by Marsha Bertrand
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Examines economic fraud, a billion-dollar business that victimizes more people than violent crime. Describes Ponzi and pyramid schemes, affinity fraud, and scams involving technology, stocks, commodities, and franchises. Discusses con artists' techniques, how to prevent

being duped, and how to react if targeted. 2000.

A Season on the Reservation: My Sojourn with the White Mountain Apache
RC 50198
by Kareem Abdul-Jabbar
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Inspired by General Colin Powell, ex-basketball star Abdul-Jabbar volunteers to assist in coaching a high school team on the White Mountain Apache Reservation in Arizona. Over time he learns about the Native American culture and the problems facing many of the young people he encounters. For senior high and older readers. 2000.

The Return of Depression Economics
RC 50206
by Paul Krugman
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
A nontechnical analysis of the late-1990s recessions that rocked various Asian and Latin American economies. Argues that the crisis countries were initially victimized by the flight of panicked foreign investors, then further harmed by IMF-imposed restrictions. Prescribes guidelines for restraining capital in a global marketplace. 1999.

Boggs: A Comedy of Values RC 50224
by Lawrence Weschler
read by Michael Scherer
1 cassette
Portrait of artist J.S.G. Boggs, who was known in the 1980s and 1990s for sketching banknotes and attempting to exchange his handiwork at face value for goods and services. Recounts Boggs's clashes with U.S., British, and other treasury officials. Provides a brief history of money and private citizens' efforts at replication. 1999.

A Short Walk in the Hindu Kush
RC 50235
by Eric Newby
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
The wry account of an Englishman who leaves the London fashion industry for the adventure of hiking into Nuristan, a remote corner of Afghanistan. Accompanied by a Foreign Service friend, he takes a four-day beginner's course in mountain climbing in Wales before departing on their expedition. 1958.

The Scalpel and the Silver Bear
RC 50241
by Lori Arviso Alvord and Elizabeth Cohen Van Pelt
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Raised on the reservation near Gallup, New Mexico, half-Navajo Alvord graduated from Dartmouth and then went to Stanford for her medical degree. She describes her career as the first Navajo woman surgeon and her belief that integrating tribal ways into orthodox Western medicine improves healing. 1999.

Wild Fruits: Thoreau's Rediscovered Last Manuscript RC 50242
by Henry David Thoreau
read by Peter Johnson
4 cassettes
Botanical observations and reflections by the author of *Walden (RC 15949)*. Describes the plants, fruits, and nuts of the New England woodlands that Thoreau was examining at the time of his death in 1862. Long unpublished because of editorial difficulties. 2000.

In a Sunburned Country RC 50276
by Bill Bryson
read by John Stratton
3 cassettes
The author of *A Walk in the Woods (RC 46519)* now chronicles his exploration of Australia. This good-humored traveler relates his outback adventures with anecdotes about the history and local inhabitants. Describes the harsh terrain and hostile wildlife, including crocodiles, poisonous snakes, and attacking seashells. Some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Time, Love, Memory: A Great Biologist and His Quest for the Origins of Behavior RC 50356
by Jonathan Weiner
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
Biography of biologist Seymour Benzer, whose groundbreaking work revolutionized the study of genetics. Experimenting on fruit flies at the California Institute of Technology, Benzer and his students developed ideas about the relation between genes and behavior that had far-reaching implications for ethical and social thought as well as biology. 1999.

Lights Out: Sleep, Sugar, and Survival RC 50357
by T.S. Wiley
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Diabetes researcher, anthropologist, and medical theorist contends that lack of sleep causes obesity, illness, and, ultimately, death. He recommends that, for at least the colder seven months of the year, people follow nature's cycles by sleeping more than nine hours a night and eating a nutritious, low-carbohydrate diet. 2000.

The Scoutmaster Handbook RC 50372
by Boy Scouts of America
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
This official guide for leaders of Boy Scout troops describes the qualifications and training required for the job as well as the methods, values, and aims of the organization. Explains leadership techniques, program features, awards, uniforms, finances, community service, and other elements of the Scouting program. 1998.

Only the Eyes Say Yes: A Love Story RC 50373
by Philippe Vigand and Stéphane Vigand
read by Nick Sullivan
1 cassette
Chronicles the struggles of a young French couple after Philippe develops a condition known as locked-in syndrome as a result of a ruptured brain artery. Describes their rehabilitation efforts, including the use of a blinking alphabet and a computer. Stéphane reflects on her decision to remain married and on the birth of their child. 1999.

Mighty like a River: The Black Church and Social Reform RC 50405
by Andrew Billingsley
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Account of the socially and politically active role of churches in the black community. Asserts that these churches have been a major force in advancing equality and justice for African Americans. Evaluates their effectiveness in relation to family issues, youth development, the elderly, and health care. 1999.

Fledgling Days RC 50425
by Emma Ford
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
Memoir of an English childhood spent in the country, where the author adored animals and became interested in the training of birds of prey. Ford describes how she learned the ancient sport of falconry in Kent and, along with her husband, opened the British School of Falconry while still a teenager. 1996.

Dancing Naked in the Mind Field RC 50458
by Kary Mullis
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Reminiscences of the maverick Nobel laureate who invented the polymerase chain reaction (PCR), a procedure that revolutionized research on genetic material. Recounts his precocious youth, his involvement in the O.J. Simpson murder trial, and his encounter with aliens. Refutes some widely held theories, including global warming. Some strong language. 1998.

Remember When . . . ? Family, Friends, and Recipes RC 50461
by Clara Belle Hooks Eschmann
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
Eschmann, who has lived in Georgia all her life, reminisces and shares favorite recipes. Beginning with the reopening of school in the fall, she carries the reader through a year of activities such as making pull candy, waiting for Santa, having Valentine's Day parties, choosing Easter dresses, picking wildflowers, and attending church picnics. 1998.

Feeding Your Child for Lifelong Health: Birth through Age Six RC 50465
by Susan B. Roberts and Melvin B. Heyman
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Authors explain how foods eaten in childhood can have lasting effects on the body's growth and functions—a science called metabolic programming. Avers that a proper youthful diet influences physical and intellectual development, prevents allergies and obesity, teaches children to enjoy healthy foods, and protects against other health problems. 1999.

Gene Kelly: A Life of Dance and Dreams RC 50466
by Alvin Yudkoff
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
Chronicles the personal life and career of Gene Kelly, beginning with his childhood as part of a family dance troupe in Pittsburgh. Follows his move to Broadway in the 1930s, his first marriage, and his transition to work in films in Hollywood, where he became a sought-after choreographer, actor, and director. 1999.

Outlaw Machine: Harley-Davidson and the Search for the American Soul RC 50469
by Brock Yates
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
An editor of *Car and Driver* magazine examines the myth and reality behind Harley-Davidson motorcycles, beginning with the company's first machine in 1903. Traces the evolution of bikers' clubs, their image in film, and their eventual revival. Also examines the

competition from Japan that almost destroyed the company. Some strong language. 1999.

The Green Guide to Herb Gardening: Featuring the Ten Most Popular Herbs RC 50470

by Deborah C. Harding
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Provides the description, history, magical qualities, and folklore for the herbs basil, calendula, chamomile, chives, garlic, lemon balm, mint, oregano, parsley, and thyme. Offers tips on growing, harvesting, and storing them. Lists remedial, culinary, cosmetic, aromatic, ornamental, and other uses for each plant. Includes recipes. 2000.

Faster: The Acceleration of Just About Everything RC 50472

by James Gleick
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
Examination of why people always seem to be in such a rush, and a look at the technology that has put us in this position. In brief chapters, Gleick explores such topics as the "close" button on an elevator, the television remote-control, the computer, the cell phone, and multitasking. 1999.

Book of Shadows: A Modern Woman's Journey into the Wisdom of Witchcraft and the Magic of the Goddess RC 50473

by Phyllis Curott
read by Sharon Murray
3 cassettes
Explores the concept, history, and contemporary practice of witchcraft, or Wicca, through a personal encounter with "goddess spirituality"—an ancient belief system that seeks to enhance life through divine empowerment. Chronicles the author's ascent to high priestess; asserts that world harmony is the overriding goal. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1998.

Am I Old Yet? The Story of Two Women, Generations Apart, Growing Up and Growing Young in a Timeless Friendship RC 50477

by Leah Komaiko
read by Ann Hodapp
1 cassette
An author of children's books recalls her decision, at forty-four, to conquer her fear of aging by volunteering to help an elderly person. Describes being paired with a ninety-four-year-old blind woman in a nursing home. Conversations from the hundreds of hours they spent together illustrate their deepening friendship. 1999.

So, You Want to Join the Peace Corps: What to Know before You Go RC 50478

by Dillon Banerjee
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
Returned Peace Corps volunteer answers questions he had when he joined in the 1990s. Topics include assessing program requirements, packing for the two-year stint, training, living among the locals, managing money, handling medical and safety concerns, maintaining contact with home, and socializing. Appendixes include restrictions related to medical conditions. 2000.

From Mind to Market: Reinventing the Retail Supply Chain RC 50479

by Roger D. Blackwell
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Details 1990s trends in retail industry

and advises merchants to initiate consumer-driven policies in the twenty-first century. Explores customers' knowledge and improved access to information about merchandise availability and competitive prices. Avers that the author's strategies have helped maximize profits for such companies as Wal-Mart, Kinko's, and The Gap. 1997.

Beyond Viagra: A Commonsense Guide to Building a Healthy Sexual Relationship for Both Men and Women RC 50480
by Gerald A. Melchiode
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
A psychiatrist involved with early Viagra studies describes the medication as being of "vast indisputable importance." However, he emphasizes the advisability of exploring the underlying causes of sexual dysfunction, rather than stopping at the temporary fix of Viagra. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

Suicide: Tragic Choice RC 50486
by Karen Zeinert
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Surveys the issue of suicide, including its history, causes, and psychology. Includes information about the right-to-die debate, assisted suicide, and survivors of the deceased. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

The Best American Sports Writing, 1999 RC 50491
edited by Richard Ford
read by Randy Atcher
2 cassettes
Seventeen sports stories of the year highlighting different aspects of athletics including a female perspective on shooting hoops, the rivalry between Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa, Canadian junior league hockey, and Michael Jordan's last game. Includes writers David Halberstam, the late Shirley Povich, John McPhee, and David Mamet. 1999.

The Greenspan Effect: Words That Move the World's Markets RC 50492
by David B. Sicilia and
Jeffrey L. Cruikshank
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Analyzes the writings and speeches of Alan Greenspan, chairman of the Federal Reserve System since 1987; assesses the impact of his words on American and global financial markets. Probes his philosophy on economic and social issues; provides tips for investors, policymakers, and the public on how to anticipate the effects of his pronouncements. 2000.

Celebration, U.S.A.: Living in Disney's Brave New Town RC 50494
by Douglas Frantz and
Catherine Collins
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Portrays the authors' experiences after moving their family to the Florida town created by the Walt Disney Company. Celebration was built on the five cornerstones of education, wellness, technology, the sense of place, and community; its first residents arrived in 1996. Assesses its successes and failures, including problems in construction and schooling. 1999.

One Man's Chorus: The Uncollected Writings RC 50495
by Anthony Burgess
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
Essays from the 1980s and early 1990s

offer a look into Burgess's life from his childhood in Manchester through his expatriate years in France. Includes reflections on the British Royals, a comical account of a trip to Puerto Rico, a piece about Wagner's "Ring," and comments on first novels. 1998.

Dialogues and Discoveries: James Levine; His Life and His Music RC 50498
by Robert C. Marsh
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Music critic Marsh presents a biography of the American conductor along with reports of conversations between them over a period of nearly twenty-five years. Levine expresses his opinions on composers, favorite pieces, live performances, and other musical topics. Contains a Levine discography from 1970 to 1998. 1998.

Deliberate Intent: A Lawyer Tells the True Story of Murder by the Book RC 50533
by Rod Smolla
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Account of prosecuting the publishers of a how-to book, *Hit Man*, after its instructions were followed in a triple homicide. Recalls that Lawrence Horn's ex-wife, brain-damaged son, and the boy's nurse were killed by Horn's hit man in 1993. Smolla represented the victims' families to prove the publisher criminally exploited First Amendment freedoms. Some strong language. 1999.

Scattered: How Attention Deficit Disorder Originates and What You Can Do about It RC 50537
by Gabor Maté
read by Jim Leary
3 cassettes
Canadian doctor advises parents of children with attention deficit disorder to address issues of psychological security, family relationships, lifestyle, and self-esteem, rather than to rely on medication for controlling the child's behavior. Posits that ADD is a problem of society and human development, rather than a medical ailment. 1999.

Maximize the Moment: God's Action Plan for Your Life RC 50544
by T.D. Jakes
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
A Christian minister and author of *The Lady, Her Lover, and Her Lord (RC 50543)* offers advice on realizing one's full potential by setting goals and jettisoning toxic relationships. Encourages readers to take control of their futures by minimizing their load and developing a winning life plan. 1999.

A Stranger in the Village: Two Centuries of African American Travel Writing RC 50560
edited by Farah J. Griffin and Cheryl J. Fish
read by Jeremy Gage
3 cassettes
A collection of nineteenth- and twentieth-century travel writings by African American writers who have journeyed abroad in search of opportunity, insight, pleasure, and adventure. Includes excerpts from nurse Mary Seacole's Crimean War memoir and W.E.B. DuBois's reflections on Ghana. With

contributions by Langston Hughes, James Baldwin, June Jordan, Gwendolyn Brooks, and Ntozake Shange. 1998.

Before His Time: The Untold Story of Harry T. Moore—America's First Civil Rights Martyr RC 50596
by Ben Green
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Traces the life of Harry T. Moore as a Florida schoolteacher, NAACP coordinator, Progressive Voter's League executive secretary, and educator of African Americans concerning their constitutional rights. Recalls his murder in 1951 when a bomb was planted in his home. Violence. 1999.

The Woman Warrior: Memoirs of a Girlhood among Ghosts RC 50624
by Maxine Hong Kingston
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Girlhood recollections of a Chinese American in California, where her parents had settled and operated a laundry. Her mother's "talk-stories" filled the girl's head with mythic Chinese figures and traditions as she coped with daily life in America. Some strong language. National Book Critics Circle Award. 1976.

Actual Innocence: Five Days to Execution, and Other Dispatches from the Wrongly Convicted RC 50636
by Barry Scheck and others
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Civil rights attorneys Barry Scheck and Peter Neufeld team up with columnist Jim Dwyer to give detailed accounts of innocent people imprisoned for years. The two lawyers draw on their experiences with the Innocence Project, which seeks the release of the wrongly convicted through DNA testing. Includes a list of proposed reforms. 2000.

Coping with Teen Suicide RC 50643
by James M. Murphy
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
A psychiatrist and minister offers a teen suicide-prevention guide for teenagers, parents, and teachers. The author explains some of the causes and consequences, and suggests ways of dealing with problems such as stress, depression, and "mistaken thinking." For senior high and older readers. 1999.

The Greedy Hand: How Taxes Drive Americans Crazy and What to Do about It RC 50644
by Amity Shlaes
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
An antitax polemic decrying laws that enabled government to take nearly 40 percent of a two-income family's earnings in 1998. Examines various bases for taxation, such as income, marriage, home ownership, birth, and death. Calls for fundamental reforms, constitutional limits on federal taxes, and reducing the burden on the rich. 1999.

Dream's End: Two Iowa Brothers in the Civil War RC 50648
by Orr Kelly and Mary Davies Kelly
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
A genealogist and her historian husband chronicle the military service of two teenage brothers—his great uncles—in the Civil War. Traces their Union regiments' battle histories, depicting the valor and arduous existence of the common soldier, the horrific conditions in hospitals and POW camps,

and the often incompetent leadership. Violence. 1998.

Modular Instruction for Independent Travel for Students Who Are Blind or Visually Impaired: Preschool through High School RC 50652

by Doris M. Willoughby and Sharon L. Monthei
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes

In this companion to *Handbook for Itinerant and Resource Teachers of Blind and Visually Impaired Students (RC 30434)*, the authors provide sample exercises for teaching cane travel to students from preschool through high school. Covers general techniques as well as specifics for outdoor travel and use of public transportation. 1998.

Glass: From the First Mirror to Fiber Optics, the Story of the Substance That Changed the World RC 50653

by William S. Ellis
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes

Explores the history of glass, its technology and manufacture, and its creative use as an art form. Traces the origins of glass from Mesopotamia to Murano, Italy, and into the modern age. Discusses how the scientific development of the material's versatile properties has expanded its uses. 1998.

Spinal Cord Injury: A Guide for Living RC 50655

by Sara Palmer and others
read by Patricia McDermott
3 cassettes

Three professionals in rehabilitation medicine and psychology describe the trauma of spinal cord injury; what to expect during the therapeutic process; and how to meet the psychological, medical, and social challenges of living with the disability. Patients' stories are used to illustrate each aspect. Some descriptions of sex. 2000.

Night Errands: How Poets Use Dreams RC 50661

edited by Roderick Townley
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes

Twenty-six poets reflect on the "generative relationship" between dreams and poetry. Most quote complete works or fragments of poems in their essays. Writers include Laurel Blossom, Edward Hirsch, David Ignatow, Maxine Kumin, Denise Levertov, Paul Mariani, Joyce Carol Oates, and Richard Wilbur, among others. 1998.

Shadows in the Sun: Travels to Landscapes of Spirit and Desire RC 50662

by Wade Davis
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes

Anthropologist and ethnobotanist Davis describes the pleasures of living among indigenous peoples who preserve their traditional ways. He meets the Penan in the forests of Borneo, the Vodoun acolytes in Haiti, and wandering holy men in the Sahara among others who demonstrate different approaches to interacting with the Earth. 1998.

Cyber Crimes RC 50668

by Gina De Angelis
read by Randy Davidson
1 cassette

Discusses high-tech crimes by hackers, crackers, and phone phreaks using computers to engage in fraud, embezzlement, espionage, cybersex, and child pornography. Explains how to minimize one's vulnerability to such offenses and

how to maximize personal privacy and security. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

Castaway in Paradise: The Incredible Adventures of True-Life Robinson Crusoes RC 50673
by James C. Simmons
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Eight true tales about the experiences of people who were stranded in remote locations because of shipwreck, treacherous companions, or personal choice. Describes their survival strategies and their lives after rescue. Includes Alexander Selkirk, the model for Defoe's Crusoe, and Herman Melville, who sojourned in the Marquesas in the South Pacific. 1993.

There's Still a Person in There: The Complete Guide to Treating and Coping with Alzheimer's RC 50722
by Michael Castleman and others
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Presents research on the causes, diagnosis, and treatments for Alzheimer's disease, as well as how to reduce the risks. Also deals extensively with the caretaker's role, the medicine and support systems that are available, and how to select and pay for residential care. 1999.

The Bonehunters' Revenge: Dinosaurs, Greed, and the Greatest Scientific Feud of the Gilded Age RC 50723
by David Rains Wallace
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Account of the historical feud between two nineteenth-century American paleontologists—Othniel Charles Marsh and Edward Drinker Cope. After the Civil War both men amassed large collections of dinosaur bones discovered in the West, but their intense rivalry led to muckraking and scandal rather than scientific cooperation. 1999.

A Short History of Rudeness: Manners, Morals, and Misbehavior in Modern America RC 50725
by Mark Caldwell
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
An inquiry into the generally perceived deterioration of etiquette and civility in daily life. Discusses proper conduct for various situations including weddings, funerals, the workplace, and the Internet. Argues that manners evolve continuously and have been doing so for centuries. 1999.

Strike Able-Peter: The Stranding and Salvage of the USS *Missouri* RC 50726
by John A. Butler
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
An account of the January 1950 grounding of the USS *Missouri*, the ship aboard which the Japanese surrendered in World War II. At the time the mishap was a major news event—and naval embarrassment. Reconstructs the cause of the Chesapeake Bay stranding and the subsequent salvaging effort. 1995.

Sole Influence: Basketball, Corporate Greed, and the Corruption of America's Youth RC 50731
by Dan Wetzel and Don Yaeger
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
Outspoken report on the questionable practices of sneaker companies Nike and adidas in their search for athletes to promote their products. Describes how, after basketball superstar Michael Jordan made millions for Nike, both

companies began reaching out to schools, coaches, and young players, offering equipment and money in return for loyalty. 2000.

Tammy Wynette: A Daughter Recalls Her Mother's Tragic Life and Death RC 50734
by Jackie Daly
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
One of Tammy Wynette's four daughters recounts her mother's career in country-western music, her five marriages, her addictions, and her untimely and mysterious death. 2000.

The Night Gardener RC 50738
by Marjorie Sandor
read by Ann Hodapp
1 cassette
In twenty linked stories, Sandor creates a memory picture of her life from childhood to motherhood. She writes of receiving her first book, being the youngest of four children, going fly-fishing, gardening, and becoming a wife and then a single mother. 1999.

First Person: An Astonishingly Frank Self-Portrait by Russia's President Vladimir Putin RC 50742
by Vladimir Putin
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
A portrait of the Russian president that includes transcripts of interviews with three journalists, who also talked with Putin's wife and teenage daughters and his friends. Recalls his working-class childhood, legal training, career as a KGB officer, and dramatic rise to prominence in the post-Communist era. 2000.

Careers for Crafty People and Other Dexterous Types RC 50798
by Mark Rowh
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
Explores the world of craftsmen and artisans whose livelihoods involve creating hand-forged objects from wood, metal, glass, fabrics, or in the graphic arts. Offers suggestions on pursuing a career outside of the mainstream. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1994.

Ghosts of Everest: The Search for Mallory and Irvine RC 50812
by Jochen Hemmleb and others
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Presents research and findings from the 1999 Mount Everest expedition in search of remains from the ill-fated 1924 climb by George Mallory and Sandy Irvine. Discusses the latter-day group's reconstruction of Mallory's route, the dramatic discovery of his body, and the conclusions reached from forensic examination. 1999.

Where's Harry? Steve Stone Remembers His Years with Harry Caray RC 50813
by Steve Stone
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Wacky anecdotes about the late legendary baseball broadcaster Harry Caray by his partner and fellow announcer of fifteen years. Recalls Caray's life as the Chicago Cubs' biggest fan, who enjoyed life in the fast lane. Foreword by Bob Costas. 1999.

What Really Matters: What Is Truly Essential to the Authentic Christian Life RC 50841
by Eugenia Price
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette (Reissue)
Drawing on personal experience and her thorough knowledge of the Bible, Eugenia Price searches for what she considers to be the core of Christianity. She explores faith, prayer, spiritual growth, service, and giving, and concludes that the real bedrock is God's eternal love. 1983.

Plato's *The Republic* RC 50843
by Plato
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Classic dialogues between Socrates and his friends concerning justice in man and the state, the Platonic theory of ideas, and concepts of nature, poetry, and philosophy. 1980.

Kitchen Confidential: Adventures in the Culinary Underbelly RC 50845
by Anthony Bourdain
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
An executive chef, who recognized his passion for food as a nine-year-old on a family trip to France, discusses his love affair with cooking. He also describes the less glamorous side, where heavy drinking, drugs, sex, and crime among the cooks go hand-in-hand with pots and pans. Strong language. Bestseller 2000.

The Four Agreements: A Practical Guide to Personal Freedom RC 50851
by Miguel Ruiz
read by Jim Johnston
1 cassette
These four agreements, or steps, are based on the wisdom of the Toltec, a pre-Colombian society that embraced the spiritual knowledge and practices of their ancestors. Ruiz asserts that these four beliefs can guide one in developing a code of conduct that leads to personal freedom. Bestseller 1997.

I Can Feel Blue on Monday RC 50888
edited by Marc Maurer
read by Nanette Savard
1 cassette
This collection of vignettes "tells what blindness is and, perhaps equally important, what it is not." In the title article math professor Abraham Nemeth, the originator of the braille code for mathematics and sciences, describes his English teacher's frustration because Nemeth could not feel the color of a piece of paper. 2000.

In Praise of Public Life RC 50893
by Joseph I. Lieberman
read by Ted Stoddard
1 cassette
U.S. senator from Connecticut encourages qualified, intelligent, dedicated people to enter public service or run for political office as an opportunity to make a difference in how government performs. Draws on his own experiences to demonstrate "the nature, complexities, possibilities, and satisfactions of public life." 2000.

Duty: A Father, His Son, and the Man Who Won the War RC 50894
by Bob Greene
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
Based on interviews with his father's hero—the B-29 pilot who dropped the atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan, in August 1945—a syndicated columnist delivers a tribute to a passing genera-

tion. Explores the values of World War II veterans and their commitment to patriotism, courage, and a sense of duty. Bestseller 2000.

Oh, Wow! RC 50895
edited by Marc Maurer
read by Nanette Savard
1 cassette
In this collection of personal accounts, members of the National Federation of the Blind discuss the importance of being given the opportunity to try, as well as the value of training and belief. In the title article Maurer discusses how key it is to recognize the significance of small triumphs and successes. 2000.

Braille: Into the Next Millennium RC 50969
by National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Essays examining the history and future of braille include such topics as the development of the literary, Nemeth, and music codes; braille production; legal issues; library service; and literacy and computer access concerns. Edited by Judith Dixon, with a foreword by Frank Kurt Cylke and a preface by Kenneth Jernigan. 2000.

Cassettes Fiction

November 1916: The Red Wheel, Knot II RC 47867
by Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn
read by Steven Carpenter
9 cassettes in 2 containers
Using historical and fictional characters, this second volume of the Russian epic depicts the oppressive atmosphere pervading the country in the months before the revolution. Flashbacks illuminate key events between August 1914 and November 1916, depicting the rise of dissent and providing background information on the militant Kadets who spurred the unrest. 1999.

Alone with the Horrors: The Great Short Fiction of Ramsey Campbell, 1961–1991 RC 48171
by Ramsey Campbell
read by Anne Flosnik
4 cassettes
Thirty-nine short stories covering thirty years of the British author's tales of the supernatural. In "Call First," a library worker becomes curious about a patron and enters his house uninvited. In "Boiled Alive," a man finds himself the subject of a short video. Some violence. 1993.

Complete Stories 1884–1891 RC 48594
by Henry James
read by Ted Stoddard
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Seventeen short stories first published in periodicals. Chronicling events in the stratified Victorian society James observed, they depict conflict between classes and cultures and restrictions on women's behavior. In "The Chaperon" a young girl, whose father has died, tries to help her divorced and shunned mother reenter society. 1999.

After Dunkirk RC 48627
by Milena McGraw
read by David Cutler
4 cassettes
England, 1939. Young Wayne Luthie leads a squadron of pilots, known as the Wonders, as they learn to fly Spitfires. Luthie reminisces about his childhood in India, his uncles who died in World War I, his capture after Dunkirk, and

falling in love with a WAAF. Then the Germans attack Britain. Some violence. 1998.

A Wizard in Mind: The Rogue Wizard, Book 1 RC 48800
by Christopher Stasheff
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Magnus D'Armand, son of the Warlock of Gramarye, is a secret wizard wanting to outshine his father. After consulting with the brain of his spaceship, Magnus, disguised as Gar Pike, travels to Petrarch where the civilization needs help in fighting off a group of warring princes. Prequel to *A Wizard in Bedlam (RC 48801)*. 1995.

A Wizard in Bedlam: The Rogue Wizard, Book 2 RC 48801
by Christopher Stasheff
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Over five centuries ago a revolt by the churls on Planet Melange failed. Now they are planning another revolt, and this time they will be led by churl Dirk Dulain, who, upon returning to the planet, gains the aid of the Giant Gar. Sequel to *A Wizard in Mind (RC 48800)*. Some strong language. 1979.

A Wizard in War: The Rogue Wizard, Book 3 RC 48802
by Christopher Stasheff
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
As Magnus D'Armand, known as Gar, continues his quest to help people living under oppressive governments, he travels to Planet Maltroit with his new friend Dirk Dulaine. Here they come upon Coll, a serf being pursued by nobles because he dared to defend his sister's honor. Sequel to *A Wizard in Bedlam (RC 48801)*. 1994.

The Greengage Summer RC 49067
by Rumer Godden
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
Thirteen-year-old Cecil, sixteen-year-old Joss, their younger siblings, and their mother arrive in France for a summer holiday. When their mother is hospitalized, the children are left on their own. Eliot, a mysterious Englishman, takes them under his wing, and the girls fall in love—until the police arrive. For senior high and older readers. 1958.

The Demon Awakens: DemonWars, Volume 1 RC 49337
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Michael Scherer
4 cassettes
In Corona the demon dactyl awakens after years of slumber and begins destroying the people. The only survivors, Elbryan and Pony, are separated in the attack. Reunited years later and aided by an ex-monk who has collected magical gemstones, they begin hunting down the demon. Prequel to *The Demon Spirit (RC 49338)*. 1996.

The Demon Spirit: DemonWars, Volume 2 RC 49338
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Michael Scherer
4 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Demon Awakens (RC 49337)*, Elbryan and Pony realize that although Avelyn sacrificed his life to destroy the demon dactyl, the demon's powers have not completely vanished. The demon's spirit now dwells within Father Abbot Markwart. Some violence. 1998.

What the Heart Knows RC 49348
by Kathleen Eagle
read by Lindsay Ellison
3 cassettes
Helen Ketterling left the Bad River Sioux Reservation thirteen years ago when she learned she was carrying Reese Blue Sky's son. She did not want to ruin her lover's promising basketball career. Now returned, both are hiding secrets that jeopardize a relationship. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.

Haunting Rachel RC 49355
by Kay Hooper
read by Anne Hancock
2 cassettes
When Rachel was nineteen her fiancé, Tom, was presumed killed while flying his plane to South America. Now, ten years later, after her parents have also died in a plane crash, Rachel is shocked to meet a mysterious man who is Tom's double. Some strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

White Rose: Una Rosa Blanca RC 49362
by Amy Ephron
read by Constance Crawford
1 cassette
In 1897 newspaper magnate William Randolph Hearst sends reporter Karl Decker to Havana to interview and somehow rescue Evangelina, the imprisoned daughter of a revolutionary. Although Decker is married, the two fall in love as they plan the escape. Based on a true story. Some violence. 1999.

Washington, D.C. RC 49368
by Gore Vidal
read by Dan Bloom
3 cassettes
Senator James Burden Day has ambitions of replacing Franklin Roosevelt as president in 1940. Clay Overbury, Day's congressional aide, has his own political plans. Newspaper tycoon Blaise Sanford has personal thoughts on Washington politics. The aspirations of these men and their children become intertwined from the New Deal to the McCarthy era. 1967.

East into Upper East: Plain Tales from New York and New Delhi RC 49401
by Ruth Prawer Jhabvala
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Collection of stories about urban life, six set in India and eight in New York City. In "Expiation," the eldest brother in a large East Indian family tells of his unconditional affection for the youngest brother, who becomes a criminal. In "The Temptress," a transplanted Indian matron finds a niche in New York. 1998.

Heat and Dust RC 49404
by Ruth Prawer Jhabvala
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
An English girl in India recounts the story of Olivia, her grandfather's first wife, who was seduced by the Nawab, an Indian prince, in 1923. The parallels between the two women's experiences explore the English attraction to the exotic Indian culture. Booker Prize winner. 1975.

The Complete Short Stories of Robert Louis Stevenson with a Selection of the Best Short Novels RC 49498
by Robert Louis Stevenson
read by John Horton
4 cassettes
Short stories and other fiction that encompass the brief life of the author. Includes his well-known "Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde." The ghost story "Trawn Janet" is set in Scotland. A romantic tale of chivalry, "The Sire de Malétroit's Door," takes place in medieval England. 1997.

Anna Karenina RC 49499
by Leo Tolstoy
read by Suzanne Toren
7 cassettes in 2 containers (Reissue)
In the 1870s in Russia, Anna flaunts convention by having an adulterous affair with Count Vronsky. Preferring the allure of romance to her stifling marriage with Alexis Karenin, Anna's happiness disintegrates as she loses her peace of mind. Originally published in 1877. Translated by Louise and Aylmer Maude. 1999.

A Gesture Life RC 49558
by Chang-rae Lee
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Now in his seventies and retired, Doc Hata still resides in his large home of thirty years in Bedley Run, New York. A polite and unassuming man, he harbors secrets of his past as a medic in the Japanese Army during World War II. Some strong language. 1999.

A Journey to the End of the Millennium RC 49597
by A.B. Yehoshua
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
In the year 999 Jewish merchant Ben Attar, his nephew Abulafia, and his Muslim partner manage a thriving commerce between Africa and Europe. When Abulafia's wife denounces Ben Attar's bigamy, their business becomes imperiled. Ben Attar sails into the heart of Europe, aiming to vindicate himself and rescue his livelihood. Descriptions of sex. 1999.

Treasures of the Sun: A South-Western Story RC 49674
by T.V. Olsen
read by Michael Skinner
2 cassettes
Christopher Fallon is engaged as a field guide by Sir Wilbur Tennington to travel to Peru in search of secret Incan treasure. Accompanying them are professor Luis Valera and his beautiful student, Marcelina O'Day. There they are plagued by bad weather, headhunters, and rival claimants. Some violence. 1998.

East of Eden RC 49676
by John Steinbeck
read by Steven Carpenter
4 cassettes (Reissue)
This saga of two California families spans from the post-Civil War era to the end of World War I. The Trasks, a mixture of gentleness and brutality, contrast with the Hamiltons, the author's own forebears, a well-adjusted, more tranquil family. 1952.

Wake of the Perdido Star RC 49698
by Gene Hackman and Daniel Lenihan
read by Timothy Lynch
3 cassettes
1805. A swashbuckling tale about seventeen-year-old Jack O'Reilly, whose parents are murdered in Cuba where the family had planned to settle. Jack escapes the island on a ship, vowing someday to wreak vengeance. Three years later Jack, now a leader of pirates, returns to Cuba to make good on his pledge. Violence. 1999.

Loves That Bind RC 49712
by Julián Ríos
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Abandoned by his lover, the protagonist writes to her recounting his past romances with a series of women, set forth in alphabetical order. Using wordplay and multilingual puns, he describes each partner as a particular storied heroine, leaving the reader to determine the literary source. Translated from Spanish. 1998.

Midshipman Bolitho: Richard Bolitho Novels, Volume 1 RC 49764
by Alexander Kent
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Only sixteen but already a veteran of four years in the king's navy, Richard Bolitho joins his second ship in 1771. Its mission—to investigate the brutal slave trade on Africa's west coast—proves much more perilous than he expected. Prequel to *Stand into Danger (RC 49765)*. Some violence. 1978.

Nightmare Town: Stories RC 49771
by Dashiell Hammett
read by Robert Sams
4 cassettes
Twenty short crime stories from the 1920s and 1930s written by the former Pinkerton detective who became famous for his characters Continental Op and Sam Spade. Among these works, written originally for magazines, is the prototype for the novel *The Thin Man (RC 16349)*. Some violence. 1999.

Mr. Darwin's Shooter RC 49778
by Roger McDonald
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
In 1828 thirteen-year-old Syms Covington leaves his Bedford, England, home for the sea. Two years later he ships aboard the HMS Beagle to assist Charles Darwin in collecting animal specimens. Toward life's end, Covington comes to regret his complicity with the evolutionist. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Monsoon RC 49786
by Wilbur Smith
read by David Hartley-Margolin
6 cassettes
In this sequel to *Birds of Prey (RC 48319)* Hal Courtney takes three of his four sons on a voyage to deter a pirate from looting ships off the coast of Africa. The Courtneys meet disaster when the youngest is kidnapped by Arabs. Violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

The Interior RC 49804
by Lisa See
read by Gabriella Cavallero
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Flower Net (RC 45063)* Chinese inspector Liu Hulan helps a

childhood friend whose daughter died suspiciously. Coincidentally, Hulan's lover, American attorney David Stark, has taken a job in China and is involved with the factory where the daughter worked. Some violence and some strong language. 1999.

Secret Passages RC 49808
by Paul Preuss
read by Richard Davidson
3 cassettes
Cretan physicist and archaeologist Dimitris Minakis, who has invented a secret time-reversing device, lures scientist Peter Slater and his wife, Anne-Marie, to the island in order to convince Peter to work with him. Anne-Marie, in turn, uses Dimitris to regain custody of her young son. Some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Star Wars: The New Jedi Order; Vector Prime RC 49820
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Twenty-one years after the destruction of the Death Star by the Rebel Alliance, tension is mounting in the Republic. Leia pursues diplomatic negotiations, Luke deals with rogue Jedi Knights, and Han Solo again engages in battle; and a new generation of characters and creatures appears. A Star Wars novel. 1999.

The White Hunter: The House of Winslow, Book 22 RC 49919
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Shadow Portrait (RC 49918)*, Annie Rogers goes to New York hoping to become a missionary in Africa. Instead she is the secretary to the flamboyant Jeanine Quintana. John Winslow remains in Africa, visiting relatives. Eventually Annie and John meet, but not before they almost perish on the Titanic. 1999.

Strawberries in the Sea: Lovers Trilogy, Volume 3 RC 49923
by Elisabeth Ogilvie
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes (Reissue)
After Rosa Fleming's husband deserts her, she returns to the isolated fishing village of Bennett's Island, Maine, to run the family's lobster business and, she hopes, to restore her self-confidence. Once there, she reconnects with friends from her past—including Edwin, a deaf artist. Sequel to *The Seasons Hereafter (RC 49922)*. 1973.

The Dragon Hunt: Five Stories RC 49934
by Vu Trân
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette
Five stories depicting the history of strife in Vietnam and the suffering of its emigrants. "The Coral Reef" is based on the author's own harrowing escape from his homeland when an overcrowded boat runs aground. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1999.

The Face of Apollo: Book of the Gods, Volume 1 RC 49937
by Fred Saberhagen
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
In a battle between ancient classical gods, Apollo is killed and a young woman, Sal, carries off his face. Just before she dies, Sal entrusts her treasure to fifteen-year-old Jeremy Redthorn, a farm laborer. Soon Jeremy's life is transformed. Prequel to *Ariadne's Web*

(RC 49938). For senior high and older readers. 1998.

The Arabian Nights' Entertainments; or, The Book of a Thousand Nights and a Night RC 49951
read by John Horton
6 cassettes
Centuries-old tales that circulated in Arabic long before they were translated into English by Victorian-era explorer Richard Burton in the 1880s. This Modern Library edition was compiled by Bennett Cerf as a representative selection of adventures that so enthralled King Shahryar he let his wife, Shahrazad, live to complete them, one by one. 1932.

A Quiet Strength: A Prairie Legacy, Volume 3 RC 49959
by Janette Oke
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *A Searching Heart (RC 47433)* Virginia and Jonathan marry, and Virginia looks forward to a quiet wedded life. But trials and disappointments await the couple as first Jonathan's grandmother moves in, then the troubled daughter of Virginia's dear friend Jenny. For senior high and older readers. 1999.

Welding with Children RC 49990
by Tim Gautreaux
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Eleven stories about life in rural Louisiana depicting a bibulous priest, a Creole princess, and a one-armed feminist hitchhiker, among others. In the title piece, an aging welder baby-sits for his unmarried daughters' four young children. During the day the befuddled granddad learns all about modern amoral lifestyles. Some strong language. 1999.

Earthly Joys RC 50010
by Philippa Gregory
read by Barbara Caruso
4 cassettes
England, 1603. John Tradescant is gardener and confidant to Sir Robert Cecil and, later, to Lord Buckingham. Because he is a trusted employee of men close to James I and then Charles I, Tradescant is able to help safeguard the realm. Prequel to *Virgin Earth (RC 50011)*. 1998.

Beyond the Limbo Silence RC 50043
by Elizabeth Nunez
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
Sara is one of three young women from the West Indies integrating a white college in Wisconsin in 1963. Her love for Sam, an African American involved in the civil rights movement, causes her to examine her beliefs and attitudes during that historic year. 1998.

Cabbage and Bones: An Anthology of Irish American Women's Fiction RC 50046
edited by Caledonia Kearns
read by Terry Donnelly
3 cassettes
A collection of twenty-four short stories and excerpts from novels by twentieth-century writers of Irish American heritage. Includes several new authors and some already well-known ones such as Mary McCarthy, Maureen Howard, Tess Gallagher, Alice McDermott, Anna Quindlen, and Mary Gordon. 1997.

Charlotte Gray RC 50047
by Sebastian Faulks
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes
1942. Scotswoman Charlotte Gray travels to London to assist in the war effort. There she falls in love with Peter Gregory, a pilot, before being sent to France to join the underground, where she experiences deprivation and tragedy. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 1998.

Loot RC 50059
by Aaron Elkins
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Austria, 1945. A lone truck carrying artworks stolen by Nazis disappears in the snow. Fifty-odd years later, one of the paintings appears in a Boston pawn shop. Art historian Ben Revere joins in an investigation that leads to Europe and the Mafia. Some violence and some strong language. 1999.

Uncle Tom's Cabin; or, Life among the Lowly RC 50070
by Harriet Beecher Stowe
read by L.J. Ganser
4 cassettes (Reissue)
First published in 1852, abolitionist Stowe depicts the moral injustice of slavery and the evils of materialism. Tom saves little Eva's life, and years later she tries to help him gain his freedom. Eventually, Tom's protection of runaway Eliza costs him his life at the hands of the brutal ex-Yankee Simon Legree. 1965.

The Martians RC 50076
by Kim Stanley Robinson
read by John Stratton
3 cassettes
Collection of stories set in the universe of the Mars trilogy—*Red Mars (RC 36318)*, *Green Mars (RC 42050)*, and *Blue Mars (RC 43603)*; also several poems and a copy of the Constitution of Mars. Some selections offer new perspectives on an old narrative; others expand on events in the trilogy. Some descriptions of sex. 1999.

Island of the Innocent: Cheney Duvall, M.D., Volume 7 RC 50077
by Lynn Morris and Gilbert Morris
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Late 1800s. Doctors Cheney Duvall and Walker Baird have come to Hawaii from San Francisco to warn Shiloh Irons to stop trying to prove he is part of the Winslow family. Instead, the two visitors provide the catalyst for uncovering secrets from the past. Sequel to *In the Twilight, In the Evening (RC 45835)*. 1998.

The Last of the Just RC 50079
by André Schwarz-Bart
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
The author's friend, Ernie Levy, and his predecessors have borne the burden of religious persecution since Rabbi Yom Tov Levy was killed in York, England, in 1185. Generations later, Ernie is the last of thirty-six Jews known as the "just men" when he faces death in Auschwitz during World War II. 1960.

The Year's Best Science Fiction: Sixteenth Annual Collection RC 50117
edited by Gardner Dozois
read by Richard Hauenstein
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Following a survey of the science fiction market in 1998, Dozois offers twenty-five stories by such authors as Tanith Lee, Bruce Sterling, Ursula K. LeGuin,

Ian McDonald, Michael Swanwick, Stephen Baxter, Gwyneth Jones, and Ian R. MacLeod. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1999.

Household Gods RC 50146
by Judith Tarr and Harry Turtledove
read by Madelyn Buzzard
5 cassettes
Nicole, a harried lawyer and single mother, wishes on a plaque of Roman gods that she could live in a simpler time. The gods comply by sending her back to second-century Roman-controlled Austria to assume the life of a tavern keeper. After pestilence, starvation, invasion, and filth, Nicole is overwhelmed. 1999.

Crime and Punishment RC 50147
by Fyodor Dostoevsky
read by Fred Major
5 cassettes
An impoverished student, Raskolnikov, convinces himself that he is above the law and murders an elderly pawnbroker. But his subsequent guilt is overwhelming. Acclaimed 1992 translation into English by Richard Pevear and Larissa Volokhonsky from the 1866 Russian original. Some violence. 1993.

Welcome to Temptation RC 50154
by Jennifer Crusie
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Taking a break from taping weddings, sisters Sophie and Amy Dempsey travel to Temptation, Ohio, to film an audition video for an actress acquaintance. As Sophie falls for the mayor and Amy for the police chief, the video threatens to turn pornographic. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 2000.

The Cornell Woolrich Omnibus: *Rear Window* and other Stories; *I Married a Dead Man*; *Waltz into Darkness* RC 50156
by Cornell Woolrich
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
Seven classic mystery stories from the 1940s, including "Rear Window," on which Alfred Hitchcock's film was based. In "Post-Mortem," a widow looking for a winning lottery ticket has her first husband's body exhumed. In "Three O'Clock," a man sneaks home to murder his wife but ends up a victim instead. Some violence. 1984.

***The Invention of Morel* and Other Stories (from *La Trama Celeste*) RC 50167**
by Adolfo Bioy Casares
read by Peter Gil
2 cassettes
In the title novella, first published in 1940, a fugitive from justice escapes to a remote island, where he enters into a dreamlike existence along with other "intruders." He falls in love and gradually uncovers the eerie secret of his strange new world. Also includes six short stories first published in 1948. 1964.

Fire and Ice: A Liam Campbell Mystery RC 50187
by Dana Stabenow
read by Nanette Savard
2 cassettes
Recently demoted Alaska state trooper Liam Campbell deplanes at his new post and finds a dead body on the tarmac; his former lover, pilot Wy Chouinard, is bent over the corpse. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

The Ne'er-Do-Well RC 50197
by Rex Beach
read by Nanette Savard
3 cassettes
The spoiled son of a wealthy father, Kirk Anthony finished college but still has no profession. While out carousing with other young men, he is drugged, robbed, and substituted for a criminal on a ship headed for Panama. Arriving without funds, he must fend for himself for the first time in his life. 1911.

South of the Border, West of the Sun RC 50202
by Haruki Murakami
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
When Hajime is thirty-seven, moderately successful, and married with two daughters, his childhood sweetheart, Shimamoto, reappears in his life. She tantalizes him and disrupts his equanimity while remaining mysteriously uncommunicative about details of her daily existence. Hajime's longing for her becomes obsessive. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Who Goes There! RC 50210
by Robert W. Chambers
read by Peter Gil
2 cassettes
An American of Belgian descent, Kervyn Guild is captured by the Germans while visiting his family's homeland. Guild is informed he can free himself and the other hostages if he travels to England to bring back the daughter of General von Reiter, who is unable to get her out. Some violence. 1915.

The Ghost with Blue Eyes RC 50226
by Robert J. Randisi
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Kansas, 1883. Lancaster, a gunfighter, is confronted by a man who mistakenly believes himself to be Lancaster's target. In the showdown, a girl is accidentally killed. The guilt-ridden Lancaster gives up on life and loses himself in the bottle, until another child in distress presents him with an opportunity for personal redemption. 1999.

***Don Careless* and *Birds of Prey* RC 50227**
by Rex Beach
read by Nanette Savard
2 cassettes
Two novellas from an early-twentieth-century author. In *Don Careless*, a Bolivian playboy pays court to a beautiful heiress on a bet. In *Birds of Prey*, scandalous behavior on a wealthy country estate causes local tongues to wag. 1928.

No Longer at Ease RC 50240
by Chinua Achebe
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
1 cassette
The bribery trial of Obi Okonkwo, a young Nigerian civil servant of "education and brilliant promise," is cause for consternation among the Umuofians who sent him to England on scholarship. Obi recounts his struggles with conscience and the circumstances that led to his arrest. 1960.

Beneath the Skin RC 50267
by Nicci French
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
London teacher Zoe is the first to receive the anonymous messages—almost

love letters, but the writer threatens to kill her. The police don't take them seriously until Jenny receives some, too. Then Nadia, the last target, realizes that local officials are no help at all. Some violence and some strong language. 2000.

The Running Mate RC 50269
by Joe Klein
read by Margaret Strom
4 cassettes
As Senator Charlie Martin's reelection is being challenged by a wealthy, unscrupulous opponent, Charlie falls in love with a beautiful woman who abhors politics. The senator discovers a secret from his Vietnam days, which causes him to question his career. Companion to *Primary Colors (RC 41822)*. Strong language. 2000.

The Heavenly Village RC 50299
by Cynthia Rylant
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Seven tales of recently deceased persons who are not quite ready to give up Earth and enter Heaven. God places these embodied spirits in the Heavenly Village, a wayside where they can "finish their stories" before ascending to perfect happiness. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1999.

Black Friday RC 50311
by James Patterson
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
When terrorists target Wall Street, federal agent Arch Carroll joins SEC chief of enforcement Caitlin Dillon to determine who is behind the mayhem. But their investigation endangers the motherless Carroll children. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1986.

The Cowboy RC 50316
by Joan Johnston
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
Two Texas ranching families, the Blackthornes and the Creeds, have feuded for generations. Away at college, Trace Blackthorne and Callie Creed became secret lovers, until an accident sent Callie back home and out of Trace's life. Eleven years later he returns. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 2000.

The Mistress of Shenstone RC 50323
by Florence L. Barclay
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
When Lady Ingleby collapses after learning of her husband's death, her doctor suggests she recuperate in the country. Using the name "Mrs. O'Mara" to hide her identity, she meets and falls in love with Jim Airth, who is also using a pseudonym. But love falters when their true identities are revealed. 1910.

Burger Wuss RC 50325
by M.T. Anderson
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Anthony, nice guy and doormat, seeks revenge after he sees his girlfriend, Diana, kissing cool guy Turner at a party. Anthony takes a job at the fast food restaurant where Turner is a supervisor and concocts a scheme involving rivalry with their competitor, Burger Queen. For senior high readers. 1999.

Laidlaw RC 50347
by William McIlvanney
read by Tom Martin
2 cassettes
Glasgow detective Jack Laidlaw investigates the murder of eighteen-year-old Jennifer Lawson—apparently by a confused bisexual boy named Tommy Bryson. Other people are soon after Tommy for revenge; meanwhile, Laidlaw's marriage is slowly disintegrating. Some violence and some strong language. 1977.

The Heir RC 50350
by Johanna Lindsey
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
Duncan MacTavish, twenty-one, grew up in Scotland believing he would become laird of his family's lands. Now he learns he will also inherit his English grandfather's title and be married to an English lady who has been chosen for him. But another woman catches Duncan's attention. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2000.

The Survival of Juan Oro RC 50377
by Max Brand
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Raised by Yaqui Indians, Juan Oro is taken prisoner in battle by Spaniard Don Fontana, who soon discovers that his captive is actually a white youth. Juan is then apprenticed to an outlaw, whom Fontana wants killed. Will Juan be the assassin? Violence. 1925.

The Proposition RC 50381
by Judith Ivory
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
London, 1898. On a bet, linguist Edwina Bollash has six weeks to transform a Cornish rat catcher into a proper gentleman who can pass as a viscount at her cousin's annual ball. But the tall and handsome Mick Tremore charms his way into her heart. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

Strange Loyalties RC 50389
by William McIlvanney
read by Tom Martin
2 cassettes
Scotland's Detective Inspector Jack Laidlaw takes a busman's holiday to investigate his brother Scott's "accidental" death. Through a blur of grief and excessive drinking, Jack begins to sort out clues from Scott's wife, his colleagues and chums, his lover, and his eerie paintings. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1991.

Blood Money RC 50396
by Thomas Perry
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Once again, Jane Whitefield is called away from her life as a doctor's wife to help someone disappear. This time it is the young housekeeper for Bernie the Elephant, a Mafia money launderer. Thinking Bernie dead, the mobsters believe the girl can lead them to their missing loot. Some violence. 1999.

This Alien Shore RC 50398
by C.S. Friedman
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
Human mutants, disowned long ago by earthlings, remain on various abandoned colonies. The Guerans, one such group, can travel faster than light—but now a virus is taking over their minds. Jamisia, a teenaged girl raised in a laboratory and troubled by multiple personalities, holds

the key to their survival. Some violence and some strong language. 1998.

Forever Peace RC 50404
by Joe Haldeman
read by Michael Skinner
2 cassettes
2043. The Ngumi War has been going on for over eight years, when burned-out "soldierboy" Julian Class and his older lover, Dr. Amelia Harding, make a scientific discovery that could set the universe back to square one. Violence, some descriptions of sex, and some strong language. Nebula Award. 1997.

Darkness, Take My Hand RC 50409
by Dennis Lehane
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Boston private investigators Patrick Kenzie and Angie Gennaro stumble upon a decades-long string of horrifying murders committed by a pair of serial killers. Worse, the crimes originated in the sleuths' old neighborhood and involve people they've known all their lives. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1996.

The Mummers' Curse: An Amanda Pepper Mystery RC 50420
by Gillian Roberts
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Schoolteacher-sleuth Amanda Pepper and her niece hope to see Amanda's colleague Vincent Devaney marching in the annual Mummers' parade in Philadelphia. When Vincent becomes a suspect after one of the revelers is shot, he tells the cops he was with Amanda. But he's not telling the truth. 1996.

The Ewe Lamb RC 50433
by Margaret Bacon
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
Describes the lives of childhood friends Judith and Alice from England's Yorkshire Dales. After Judith's mother abandons her family, the girls separate but are buoyed by their occasional meetings. Judith becomes a London barrister, while Alice turns her family farm into a bed and breakfast. Some violence. 1999.

Mountain Time RC 50449
by Ivan Doig
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Environmental reporter Mitch Rozier and caterer Lexa McCaskill, both Montana natives, are living together frugally but happily in Seattle when Mitch's dying father summons them home. Along with Lexa's photographer sister, Mariah, they must confront their memories, their disappointments, and the wilderness. Sequel to *Ride with Me, Mariah Montana (RC 32683)*. 1999.

The Wonders of the Invisible World: Stories RC 50451
by David Gates
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Ten tales about transient relationships and defining moments. In the title story a tête-à-tête between a divorced father and his much younger, married lover about her possible pregnancy becomes the pivotal exchange for the future of their intimacy. Some strong language. 1999.

The Best from *Fantasy and Science Fiction*: The Fiftieth Anniversary Anthology
RC 50452
edited by Edward L. Ferman and Gordon Van Gelder
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
Twenty-one selections published between 1993 and 1998 in the magazine known as *F&SF*. Ranging from speculative science fiction to fairy tales, from alternate histories to supernatural horror tales, they include award winners by Esther Friesner, Maureen McHugh, Bruce Holland Rogers, Ursula Le Guin, and Elizabeth Hand. 1999.

The Vision of Emma Blau RC 50453
by Ursula Hegi
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Multigenerational family saga follows Stefan Blau, who at thirteen comes to America from Germany to fulfill a dream. His development of an opulent apartment building on the shore of a New Hampshire lake dominates his family life. His granddaughter, Emma, shares his obsession. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

Muse of Art: Geodyssey, Volume 4
RC 50454
by Piers Anthony
read by Madelyn Buzzard
4 cassettes
The story of humanity is told through the experiences of a single family reincarnated throughout history. Focuses on aspects of the arts—healing, drama, storytelling, and seduction, among others. Cautions that the same gifts and instincts that developed civilization could also cause its destruction. Sequel to *Hope of Earth (RC 45123)*. Descriptions of sex. 1999.

Doc Holliday's Gone: A Western Duo
RC 50457
by Jane Candia Coleman
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes
The first of these two fictionalized accounts describes Mary Katherine Horony, Doc Holliday's companion. The second introduces young Viola Howell, who pleads with New Mexico's governor to dismiss the cattle rustling charges against her father and John Slaughter, the man she loves. Some violence and some strong language. 1999.

The Untamed RC 50459
by Max Brand
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Saddle bum Whistling Dan lives off the land with his wolf Black Bart and stallion Satan, even though he was raised on a ranch alongside Kate Cumberland. As they share many adventures, Kate falls in love with Dan but wonders if he will ever settle down. Some violence. 1919.

Backflash RC 50460
by Richard Stark
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Although Parker is suspicious of the motives of a retired New York civil servant who wants him to rob a riverboat casino on the Hudson, he rounds up three partners to commit the crime. Afterwards, Parker and his gang realize that they have been set up. Violence and strong language. 1998.

All or Nothing RC 50462
by Elizabeth Adler
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Lawyer/professor Marla Cwitowitz is looking for excitement. She gets plenty by teaming up with her private-investigator boyfriend, Al Giraud, who is hired to prove the innocence of a faithful husband accused of murdering a real-estate agent. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1999.

Dinoverse RC 50463
by Scott Ciencin
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Thirteen-year-old nerd Bertram Phillips invents a science project that accidently transports him and three other students back sixty-seven million years to the late Cretaceous age. Bertram, Mike, Candayce, and Janine have been transformed into different types of dinosaurs. Returning home is another problem. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

Dreams of Gold RC 50464
by Maynard F. Thomson
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
When her lover and skating partner, Clay, suffers a career-ending injury, Maggie returns to her childhood coach in her mother's homeland of Japan. Training for the Olympics, Maggie vows to beat the woman responsible for Clay's accident. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. For senior high and older readers. 1999.

Remember Me RC 50471
by Sharon Sala
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
Construction worker Clay LeGrand's wife, Frankie, disappears on their first anniversary, and Denver police assume Clay killed her. Two years later, Frankie appears in their house, with evidence of a concussion and no memory of having been gone. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1999.

Ingathering: The Complete People Stories of Zenna Henderson RC 50474
edited by Mark Olson and Priscilla Olson
read by Richard Hauenstein
5 cassettes
Complete collection of Henderson's stories about the People, originally published in the 1950s and 1960s. The sequence covers a long time span, recounting the experiences of the People —aliens with special powers who resemble human beings but are morally superior—stranded on Earth and struggling to survive. 1995.

Night Hoops RC 50476
by Carl Deuker
read by Chris Parente
1 cassette
Nick Abbot works hard in his backyard basketball court to make the high school varsity team. Neighbor Trent Dawson—a tough kid and dirty player—makes Nick's life miserable until they both realize that teamwork and friendship mean the difference between success and failure. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

One Wish RC 50481
by Linda Lael Miller
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Jubilee, Washington Territory; 1889. Fifteen years ago Luke Shardlow rescued Charity Barnham from a creek and she granted him one wish. Now Luke, a bounty hunter, returns to Jubilee and kindles a spark of romance with Charity. But she is promised to another. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 2000.

A Confederacy of Dunces RC 50482
by John Kennedy Toole
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Pulitzer Prize-winning novel about slovenly, obese Ignatius Reilly, who is forced to seek employment in New Orleans after his tipsy mother has a car accident. Reilly, a medievalist who hates everything modern, runs through a succession of jobs in which he wreaks havoc. Some strong language. 1980.

Balls RC 50483
by Nanci Kincaid
read by Sharon Murray
3 cassettes
Dixie marries Alabama high school quarterback Mac Gibbs just after he fails to make the pros. Dixie and the other football women—wives, mothers, and girlfriends—describe coping with men who live and breathe the sport. Mac ends up coaching at a major university, but the marriage falls apart. Some strong language. 1998.

Battle Born RC 50484
by Dale Brown
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
When a joint U.S.-Japan-South Korea military exercise goes awry, war erupts between the two Koreas and South Korea emerges victorious with a formidable arsenal of high-tech weapons. Hostilities escalate, and veteran Patrick McLanahan is ordered to intervene with a task force of American bombers. Sequel to *Fatal Terrain (RC 45110)*. 1999.

Robot Visions RC 50485
by Isaac Asimov
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
A collection of eighteen short stories and sixteen essays about robots. As explained in the introduction, Asimov began writing about these "advanced machines" in 1939 when he was nineteen, but the majority of the essays appeared after 1974 when the microchip made robotics practical. 1990.

Black Light RC 50493
by Elizabeth Hand
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
At age twelve, Lit observed a grotesque painting at the mansion of her godfather, Axel Kern. Now seventeen, Lit anticipates attending a lavish Halloween party at Kern's, but she is unprepared for the dark forces that will be at work there. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1999.

The Voyage RC 50496
by Philip Caputo
read by Brian Conn
4 cassettes
Maine, June 1901. For reasons unknown to his three teenage sons, wealthy Cyrus Braithwaite orders the boys to board the family sloop and put to sea until September. During their

eventful cruise south the young sailors encounter heavy weather, romance, and peril before reaching safe harbor. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 1999.

Occam's Razor: A Joe Gunther Mystery RC 50497
by Archer Mayor
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
When Lieutenant Joe Gunther of the Brattleboro, Vermont, police department investigates a body on the railroad tracks, he has no inkling that the case would lead to a powerful politician. Another murder and an abandoned vehicle also become entwined with the original crime. Some violence and some strong language. 1999.

Becoming Madame Mao RC 50518
by Anchee Min
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Fictionalized portrait of Jiang Ching, wife of Chairman Mao Zedong. Skilled at reinventing herself, the former opera singer and actress takes full advantage of her husband's rise to power. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2000.

The Island of Dr. Moreau RC 50527
by H.G. Wells
read by David Elias
1 cassette (Reissue)
Late Victorian fantasy classic in which scientific arrogance leads to horrifying consequences. In 1887 Edward Prendick is shipwrecked, rescued, and later abandoned on a mysterious island inhabited by grotesque creatures under the control of Dr. Moreau. 1996 foreword by Peter Straub. Some violence. 1896.

Burnout RC 50529
by Jeannine Kadow
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
Anchorwoman Lacie Wagner's hands were badly burned in the accident that killed her father when she was a child. Now her worst fears are realized when she learns her adolescent daughter was burned to death by someone who is after Lacie. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

The Corpse at the Haworth Tandoori RC 50532
by Robert Barnard
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
After a body is found in the trunk of a car outside the local Indian restaurant in Haworth, Yorkshire, Detective Constable Charlie Peace and his boss, Mike Oddie, concentrate their investigation on a local artists' colony where once-famous painter Ranulph Byatt holds court. Some violence. 1998.

The Bluest Blood: An Amanda Pepper Mystery RC 50540
by Gillian Roberts
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
As Amanda Pepper's school library receives a large donation from the wealthy Roederer family, Reverend Harvey Spiers and his Moral Ecologists are organizing a book-banning crusade in Philadelphia. But when both Neddy Roederer and Reverend Spiers are murdered, everyone (including both victims' teenage sons) becomes a suspect. Some violence. 1998.

Star Wars: Rogue Planet RC 50588
by Greg Bear
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Obi-Wan Kenobi accepts the task of training twelve-year-old Anakin Skywalker, the former slave who many Jedi believe will bring balance to the Force. Obi-Wan and Anakin travel to the planet Zonama Sekot, where Anakin faces his dark destiny. A Star Wars novel. For senior high and older readers. Bestseller 2000.

Joshua: The Homecoming RC 50593
by Joseph F. Girzone
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
After almost two decades away from Philadelphia, Joshua is welcomed back by a few old friends. But the pious man stays there only briefly, then walks west to San Francisco, where he must convince residents that an earthquake is imminent. Sequel to *Joshua and the City (RC 40799)*. 1999.

The Tower and the Hive RC 50594
by Anne McCaffrey
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Lyon's Pride (RC 39612)* and final volume about the Rowan clan, the Rowan family, in alliance with the alien Mrdini, has two goals to keep the peace: to help the Mrdini control population growth and to prevent the advances of the predatory Hivers. 1999.

A Highland Christmas: A Hamish Macbeth Mystery RC 50600
by M.C. Beaton
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Christmas is at hand in the remote Highland village of Lochdubh. This year, P.C. Hamish Macbeth is set to work through the holiday, while his family vacations without him. On his own, Hamish cracks several cases, including the disappearance of an elderly woman's cat and the theft of a nearby community's town lights. 1999.

Crime Wave: Reportage and Fiction from the Underside of L.A. RC 50602
by James Ellroy
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Pieces first published in *GQ* magazine by the crime writer. Ellroy relates his mother's murder in 1958 as well as other crimes against women, including Nicole Simpson's murder. Depicts some corrupted characters on the dark side of Los Angeles. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1999.

A Drink before the War RC 50609
by Dennis Lehane
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Boston private investigators Patrick Kenzie and Angie Gennaro are hired by two senators to investigate missing government files taken by their African American cleaning lady. Only they soon discover that the stolen goods are more racy than office work, and the cleaning lady turns up dead. Violence and strong language. 1994.

Evan Help Us RC 50610
by Rhys Bowen
read by Graeme Malcolm
1 cassette
Evan Evans, constable of the village of Llanfair in North Wales, investigates the connection between the murders of two outsiders and a plan for bringing

tourism to this remote outpost. Evans's interest in newly arrived single mother Annie Pigeon and her daughter, Jenny, also leaves the local single ladies seething. 1998.

Breakfast on Pluto RC 50615
by Patrick McCabe
read by Graeme Malcolm
1 cassette
The memoirs of Patrick "Pussy" Braden, a transvestite prostitute born in Tyreelin, Ireland, written at the behest of his prison psychiatrist. Records Paddy's brutally comic adventures in London in the 1970s, with an I.R.A. bombing campaign in full swing. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1998.

Into the Far Mountains: A Western Story RC 50628
by Fred Grove
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Confederate captain Jesse Wilder is captured by Union forces and becomes an Indian-fighter to avoid prison. Years later as a mercenary he agrees to help a mother recover her son who was abducted by Apaches. The perilous rescue mission tests Wilder's cunning and courage to the limit. 1999.

Damascus RC 50647
by Richard Beard
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
The lives of warehouse worker Spencer Kelly and teacher Hazel Burns were destined to intersect. On their common birthday, November 1, 1993, they court, mate, and face a common threat when a crazed student, who is obsessed with Hazel, challenges Spencer for her hand. 1998.

Murder on the Yukon Quest: An Alaska Mystery RC 50649
by Sue Henry
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
Jessie Arnold decides to run in the thousand-mile Yukon Quest dog race while her boyfriend, state trooper Alex Jensen, is in Idaho. But she is soon embroiled in murder when a fellow musher is kidnapped and Jessie must deliver the ransom. Some violence and some strong language. 1999.

Mollie Peer; or, The Underground Adventure of the Moosepath League RC 50656
by Van Reid
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Portland, Maine; 1896. In this sequel to *Cordelia Underwood (RC 48332)*, the Moosepath League gang comes to the rescue of society writer Mollie Peer, who has discovered that a little ragamuffin named Bird is being abused by a sinister character. From there the group stumbles upon a smuggling ring. 1999.

Nobody Else Has to Know RC 50659
by Ingrid Tomey
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Fifteen-year-old Webb talks his doting grandfather into letting him drive and then crashes the car, seriously injuring a little girl. Later his grandfather claims to have been the driver, and Webb, not remembering the accident, at first believes him. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

The Innocents Within RC 50666
by Robert Daley
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Le Lignon, France; 1944. After his U.S. fighter plane is downed, Lieutenant Davey Gannon is carried unconscious to the church rectory and nursed back to health by Rachel, the pastor's adopted daughter. The two fall in love and escape to England. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.

Deep Dream of the Rain Forest RC 50681
by Malcolm Bosse
read by Chris Parente
1 cassette
In 1920 Borneo a young Iban tribesman's dream instructs him to find a life-changing big fish with the help of a shunned girl. They kidnap a fifteen-year-old English boy from his inspector uncle's crew, thinking his mother's locket is magical. A deep friendship develops. For junior and senior high readers. 1993.

Having Everything RC 50684
by John L'Heureux
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
In the eyes of the world psychiatrist Philip Tate stands at the pinnacle of success, both personally and professionally. But when he succumbs to a compulsive weakness for housebreaking, events get out of control and lead to his destruction. Descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 1999.

Homebody RC 50689
by Orson Scott Card
read by Randy Davidson
2 cassettes
North Carolina, 1997. Bellamy mansion, built in 1874, has fallen into disrepair. Then master craftsman Don Lark, trying to escape his past, buys the property, intending to renovate and resell it. But he doesn't count on owning a house that seems to be alive with evils of old. 1998.

Sonny Liston Was a Friend of Mine: Stories RC 50720
by Thom Jones
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Twelve short stories about boxers, soldiers, cancer patients, and others down on their luck. In the title piece, Kid Dynamite, a losing welterweight boxer, persists in training just to remain in the world he knows. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1999.

First Lady RC 50721
by Susan Elizabeth Phillips
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
First Lady Cornelia Case has always lived in the political spotlight, so when her husband is assassinated she looks forward to a more private life. But the new president has other ideas, and when Cornelia attempts to escape the spotlight, the results surprise everyone. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

Reach for Tomorrow RC 50724
by Lurlene McDaniel
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Katie O'Roark is thrilled to land a summer job at a camp for children with medical problems, which she once attended—until she discovers that her old boyfriend, Josh Martel, is also working there. But when Josh has a terrible acci-

dent, Katie prays for help. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

Dreamland RC 50727
by Kevin Baker
read by Richard Hauenstein
4 cassettes
Tale of a young Eastern European stowaway who encounters love, jealousy, and betrayal in the squalid tenements of turn-of-the-century New York City. Set against the tumult of Tammany Hall politics and the tragic Triangle Shirtwaist Company fire, which hastened labor reform. Some strong language. 1999.

Local Girls RC 50728
by Alice Hoffman
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Stories of Gretel Samuelson's youthful years on Long Island. Her best friend and neighbor, Jill, marries young and pregnant; her divorced mother battles cancer; her brother's promising future fades with drug use; and her older cousin longs for a family life. Some strong language. 1999.

The History of Our World beyond the Wave: A Fantasy RC 50729
by R.E. Klein
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
Paul Sant is in the process of buying a surf mat when the entire earth is suddenly covered by a giant tidal wave. He survives with just a few others to form a new nonviolent community in a world that has changed completely. Then the devil shows up. 1998.

A Dangerous Friend RC 50730
by Ward Just
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Political scientist Sydney Parade is in Vietnam as part of the Llewellyn Group, a foreign-aid organization led by Dicky Rostok. Parade arrives with the idealistic goal of helping the local residents, but his assignment to gather information eventually threatens to harm those he befriends. Some violence. 1999.

Bandit Invincible: Butch Cassidy; a Western Story RC 50737
by Suzanne Lyon
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
In this fictional version of the outlaw's career and personal life, Lyon provides personality and character traits for the man behind the legend. The story elaborates on known facts: his adventures as leader of the Wild Bunch, his friendships with men and women, and Cassidy's probable identities after returning from Bolivia. Some strong language. 1999.

Prolonged Exposure RC 50776
by Steven F. Havill
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Undersheriff Bill Gastner of New Mexico—last seen in *Before She Dies (RC 47950)*—returns to Posadas County after his house is burglarized and a woman's body is discovered buried on his land. Before long, two toddlers are kidnapped and another body is uncovered. Some violence. 1998.

The Secret Wife of King George IV
RC 50777
by Diane Haeger
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
England, 1785. George, the Prince of Wales, falls in love with Catholic widow Maria Fitzherbert and secretly marries her. It later befalls him to wed Caroline of Brunswick, who becomes his Protestant queen. Maria, however, remains the love of his life. Some descriptions of sex. 2000.

The Catastrophist RC 50781
by Ronan Bennett
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
The Congo, 1959. Irish writer James Gillespie arrives on the eve of independence to win over his ex-lover, Inès Sabiani, an Italian Communist journalist. Inès supports native leader Patrice Lumumba, while James becomes friendly with CIA operative Mark Stipe. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1997.

The Pecos Kid: A Western Duo
RC 50786
by Dan Cushman
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Two western short stories featuring ex-Confederate officer William Calhoun Warren, a.k.a. "The Pecos Kid," and his sidekicks Hernandez Flanagan and Big Jim Swing. In "Riders of the Gunsmoke Rim" a developer tries to force out small ranchers. In "The Deadwood Drive" a cattle run turns deadly. Some violence. 1999.

Casanova in Love RC 50788
by Andrew Miller
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Elderly Giacomo Casanova begins burning old love letters until he finds some from Marie Charpillon. Suddenly, memory "like a thousand petal blooms" unfolds as he recalls his 1763 arrival in London and the events that followed as he became completely infatuated with Charpillon—to the detriment of his own life. 1998.

Murder in Foggy Bottom RC 50815
by Margaret Truman
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
A well-dressed corpse in Washington's Foggy Bottom may be connected to three suspicious commuter plane crashes. Lovers Max Pauling and Jessica Mumford, both of the State Department, are pursuing the investigation when Jessica's ex-husband turns up, fleeing the right-wing extremist faction in which he'd been operating undercover. Some violence and some strong language. 2000.

Baby Love RC 50821
by Catherine Anderson
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
Maggie Stanley, repeatedly abused by her stepfather, escapes her Idaho home with her baby and hides in a boxcar. Desperately ill and fearing for her son's life, she allows herself to be rescued by Rafe Kendrick, a wealthy rancher running away from his past. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

Lucky Man, Lucky Woman RC 50830
by Jack Driscoll
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Middle-aged parole officer Perry Lafond has always considered himself happily married to Marcia, a teacher. But when Marcia begins fertility injections, Perry feels ambivalent about starting a family. His involvement with a parolee's wife contributes to his midlife crisis. Strong language. Pushcart's Editors' Book Award. 1998.

The Fighting Agents: Men at War, Volume 4 RC 50846
by W.E.B. Griffin
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Philippines; December, 1942. Renegade general ignores the U.S. Army's surrender and begins rounding up like-minded soldiers. Stateside, OSS agents discover his plan and devise ways to support it. Meanwhile, in Budapest and Cairo, other OSS missions are taking place. Strong language. Bestseller 1987.

Wild Justice RC 50857
by Phillip Margolin
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
As the Portland, Oregon, police search for a serial killer, their main suspect is Dr. Vincent Cardoni—several mutilated bodies are found on his property. Cardoni's wife, Dr. Castle, is also under scrutiny. While attorney Amanda Jaffe defends Cardoni, he mysteriously disappears. Years later, the crimes begin again. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2000.

An Invisible Sign of My Own RC 50891
by Aimee Bender
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Quirky nineteen-year-old protagonist Mona Gray is systematically eliminating everything she loves from her life except mathematics. Accepting a position as an elementary school math teacher, she shares her love of numbers with second graders. And they help her open her heart. Bestseller 2000.

Bee Season RC 50897
by Myla Goldberg
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
Typical fifth-grader Eliza Naumann surprises everyone by winning her school spelling bee. Over the next year her father, Saul, devotes study time to Eliza, further excluding his son, Aaron, and wife, Miriam. Through incantation, mysticism, and mental illness, each member follows a separate path as the family slowly disintegrates. Bestseller 2000.

Nora, Nora RC 50898
by Anne Rivers Siddons
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
Lytton, Georgia; 1961. Peyton McKenzie is on the brink of womanhood when her older cousin, Nora, arrives in town. Peyton has always considered herself a loser, but Nora helps her see herself in a different light. However, it soon becomes apparent that Nora has her own problems. Strong language. 2000.

Shattered RC 50938
by Dick Francis
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
After glassblower Gerard Logan watch-

es his friend, jockey Martin Stukely, die in a race, he is handed a mysterious videotape. Soon afterwards the tape is stolen, leaving Logan, Detective Constable Catherine Dodd, and a gang of thugs searching for the crucial clue. Bestseller 2000.

Eclipse Bay: Eclipse Bay Trilogy, Volume 1 RC 51009
by Jayne Ann Krentz
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Eclipse Bay, Oregon. Although their families had feuded for generations, Hannah Harte once helped Rafe Madison avoid jail. Now Hannah's aunt has left them joint ownership of her home. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Shopgirl RC 51049
by Steve Martin
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
Artistic Mirabelle has an uninspiring job behind the glove counter at Neiman Marcus in Los Angeles, but what she really craves is love. Then smitten Seattle millionaire Ray Porter sends Mirabelle the gloves he purchased from her, beginning an unconventional relationship. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2000.

A Painted House RC 51331
by John Grisham
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Arkansas, 1952. Seven-year-old Luke Chandler, who lives with his parents and grandparents in a house that has never been painted, recounts the events during cotton-picking season. As Luke faces the daily grind of harvesting, he witnesses a murder, a birth, and a storm that changes his family's life. Some violence. Bestseller 2001.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

The Case of the Mummified Pigs: And Other Mysteries in Nature RC 49038
by Susan E. Quinlan
read by Gillian Wilson
1 cassette
Fourteen scientific puzzles about the natural world that have been investigated by ecologists. In "The Case of the Mummified Pigs," a scientist experiments with dead piglets in cages left out in the woods to find out what happens as time passes. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Night of the Cruel Moon: Cherokee Removal and the Trail of Tears RC 49363
by Stan Hoig
read by Dan Bloom
1 cassette
Chronicles the events that led to the 1838 enforced removal of the Cherokees from their native Southeastern habitat to the Indian Territory, now the state of Oklahoma. Contains many first-person accounts of the misery and losses endured during the journey. For grades 6-9. 1996.

They Saw the Future: Oracles, Psychics, Scientists, Great Thinkers, and Pretty Good Guessers RC 49850
by Kathleen Krull
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Accounts of twelve visionaries—people who predict the future—presented in chronological order from the oracles of ancient Greece to twentieth-century figures. Covers the sibyls of Rome, Mayan astrologers, Nostradamus, Hildegard of Bingen, Leonardo da Vinci, Jules Verne, H.G. Wells, Nicholas Black Elk, Jeane Dixon, Edgar Cayce, and Marshall McLuhan. For grades 5-8. 1999.

The Disability-Rights Movement RC 49998
by Deborah Kent
read by Rick Foucheux
1 cassette
A chronicle of milestones in the ongoing fight for disability rights in the United States; includes the 1940 establishment of the National Federation of the Blind and the passing of both the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. For grades 4-7. 1996.

Babe Didrikson Zaharias: The Making of a Champion RC 50066
by Russell Freedman
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Biography of the "greatest woman athlete of all time," who broke records in golf, track and field, and other sports in an era when there were few opportunities for female players. Discusses her childhood and her career after winning three medals in the 1932 Olympics. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Science Projects about Physics in the Home RC 50236
by Robert Gardner
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Describes twenty-six experiments relating to the study of matter and energy. Suggests an appropriate site for each procedure, such as a living room, bedroom, kitchen, bathroom, or playground. Projects include finding your center of gravity, demonstrating Newton's third law in your bathtub, and vibrating rulers and strings. For grades 6-9. 1999.

Seasons RC 50324
by Paul P. Sipiera and Diane M. Sipiera
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Explains how and why the four seasons occur and why they are opposite in the northern and southern hemispheres. Briefly discusses seasons on other planets. For grades 2-4. 1998.

Kids around the World Celebrate! The Best Feasts and Festivals from Many Lands RC 50329
by Lynda Jones
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette
Includes recipes and hands-on activities to give a taste of what it is like to be a part of various feasts or ceremonies in different countries. Celebrations include Chinese New Year, Mardi Gras, Mexico's El Día de los Reyes, Carnevale in Venice, Barbados Crop-Over, and others. For grades 3-6. 2000.

I Am Rosa Parks RC 50384
by Rosa Parks
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Famous activist describes her role in the civil rights movement. In 1955, fed up with unequal treatment, Parks refused to give up her bus seat to a white man. Her arrest led to a year-long boycott by blacks of Montgomery, Alabama, buses. For grades 2-4. 1997.

Kids on Strike! RC 50490
by Susan Campbell Bartoletti
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
Examines the nineteenth- and early-twentieth-century workplace, the treatment working children received, and the conditions that drove them to rebel. Describes a protest in a Massachusetts mill, coal mine strikes in Pennsylvania, and sweatshop problems in New York, among other situations in which children were exploited. For grades 5-8. 1999.

What I Believe RC 50523
by Alan Brown and Andrew Langley
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
An introduction to world religions, presented by a group of young people who speak for the traditions of Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, Sikhism, Shinto, and Taoism. The boys and girls tell about the holy writings, places of worship, customs, special foods, and celebrations of each religion. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1999.

Carl Sandburg: A Biography RC 50541
by Milton Meltzer
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
A portrait of the twentieth-century American poet and writer who won two Pulitzer Prizes. Discusses Sandburg's working-class background, his belief in socialism, and the influences on his writing. Describes how his admiration for Abraham Lincoln grew into a six-volume biography. For grades 6-9. 1999.

The World Turned Upside Down: George Washington and the Battle of Yorktown RC 50542
by Richard Ferrie
read by Jacinda Bronaugh
1 cassette
Examines the events surrounding the Revolutionary War battle that led to the defeat of the British at Yorktown, Virginia, in 1781. Explains how General George Washington won the war even when his army was falling apart and the country was collapsing. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1999.

Bahamas RC 50554
by Robert Barlas
read by Ray Childs
1 cassette
Introduces the geography, history, government, economy, religion, arts and leisure, festivals, food, and people of this archipelago lying in the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of Florida. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Savion! My Life in Tap RC 50598
by Savion Glover and Bruce Weber
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
Portrait of the young tap dancer born in 1973 who speaks with his feet and who choreographed the Tony Award-winning Broadway show *Bring in 'da Noise, Bring in 'da Funk*. Discusses his love of rhythm and some of the great tap dancers with whom he's worked. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Australia: The Land Down Under RC 50599
by Jacqueline Drobis Meisel
read by Graeme Malcolm
1 cassette
Discusses the history, geography, people, and culture of Australia—the only country that is also a continent. Includes a list of pertinent facts and a glossary. For grades 4-7. 1997.

Young Superstars of Tennis: The Venus and Serena Williams Story RC 50601
by Mike Fillon
read by Saidah Arrika Ekulona
1 cassette
Traces the athletic careers of African American sisters Venus and Serena Williams, beginning when their father first taught them to play tennis as preschoolers. Recounts tournaments they won while still in their teens and describes their family life and values. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1999.

West Bank/Gaza Strip RC 50606
by Rebecca Stefoff
read by Jonathan Davis
1 cassette
Surveys the history, geography, people, and culture of Israel's West Bank and Gaza Strip. Explains the conflict between the Palestinian Arabs and the Israelis, and traces the past transfers of political control over the land. For grades 5-8. 1999.

While the Bear Sleeps: Winter Tales and Traditions RC 50613
retold by Caitlín Matthews
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
A treasury of stories about solstice celebrations—festivities that occur when the sun is farthest from the equator. Includes Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, and twelfth night; describes many of the customs that accompany these holidays. For grades 3-6. 1999.

First on the Moon: What It Was Like When Man Landed on the Moon RC 50657
by Barbara Hehner
read by Lou Harpenau
1 cassette
Traces the events of the Apollo 11 mission in 1969. Describes the Saturn V rocket, the lunar module, and the roles of the astronauts—Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin, the first men who walked on the Moon's surface; and Michael Collins, pilot of the command module. For grades 3-6. 1999.

Sports Science Projects: The Physics of Balls in Motion RC 50669
by Madeline Goodstein
read by Lou Harpenau
1 cassette
Over thirty projects involving sports balls, which demonstrate principles of physics. Answers the questions: why does a tennis ball have fuzz? why does a baseball need stitches? and why does a golf ball have dimples? For grades 5-8. 1999.

The United States Cookbook: Fabulous Foods and Fascinating Facts from All Fifty States RC 50670
by Joan D'Amico and
Karen Eich Drummond
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
A culinary tour of the fifty states, featuring representative recipes, food festivals, and fun facts about specialty items grown or invented within each area. Discusses basic kitchen safety and cooking terms. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2000.

Who Is Baseball's Greatest Hitter? RC 50693
by Jeff Kisseloff
read by Lou Harpenau
1 cassette
Explores the history of baseball, the role of statistics, and changes in game rules and ball fields in order to determine the greatest hitter. Summarizes the careers of thirty-two outstanding sluggers to help you decide. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Football: A History of the Gridiron Game RC 50694
by Mark Stewart
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Discusses the origins and evolution of the game of football, as well as major events and key personalities in its history. The game began in England as rugby, but developed its distinctive American style when it became popular among colleges in the United States. Includes lists of winners. For grades 5-8. 1998.

El Duque: The Story of Orlando Hernandez RC 50713
by Kenneth LaFreniere
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
Biography of Cuban-born baseball player Orlando "El Duque" Hernandez, who was a star pitcher on the island's national team. When he was banished from sports after his brother defected, Orlando also decided to flee and later joined the New York Yankees. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Science Experiments You Can Eat RC 50733
by Vicki Cobb
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
Describes experiments with food to demonstrate various principles of chemistry and physics, and also to produce an eatable result. Includes recipes for rock candy, grape jelly, cupcakes, and pretzels. Revised and updated from the 1972 edition. For grades 5-8. 1994.

'N Sync RC 50824
by John F. Grabowski
read by Nick Sullivan
1 cassette
Portrays the lives of the five young men in the band 'N Sync and their road to success since the group's formation in 1995. Describes their early establishment in the European pop-music world and their lucky break into the American scene at Disney World. For grades 6-9. 2000.

Afghanistan RC 50889
by Sharifah Enayat Ali
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Describes the geography, economy, and culture of the nation of Afghanistan—a country on the crossroads between Europe and the Far East. Traces its history up to 1992, when the communist regime was overthrown and an Islamic state was established. For grades 5-8. 1995.

Rwanda: Country Torn Apart RC 50890
by Kari Bodnarchuk
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Describes the centuries-long ethnic conflict between the Hutu and Tutsi peoples and its continuing effect on events in this African country. Chronicles the crisis of the mid-1990s and the resulting refugee crisis. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

Japan RC 50903
by Rebecca Stefoff
read by David Elias
1 cassette
An overview of the history, geography, economy, government, people, and culture of the Asian island country of Japan. Traces its growth from a feudal society to the internationally important high-tech industrial nation that emerged following the Second World War. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Cassettes Fiction

Spirit of the Cedar People: More Stories and Paintings of Chief Lelooska RC 47945
edited by Christine Normandin
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Five folktales from the Kwakiutl, Native Americans of the northwest coast of the United States. Recounts a mythical time when the world was full of magic and some animals and humans could transform themselves into other species. Companion to *Echoes of the Elders (RC 45968)*. For grades 3-6. 1998.

Tales from the Rain Forest: Myths and Legends from the Amazonian Indians of Brazil RC 48122
retold by Mercedes Dorson and Jeanne Wilmot
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Ten folktales reveal the Amazon Indians' desire to live in harmony with nature. Many are creation or origin myths that feature jungle animals and birds, humans with animal ancestors, and even humans changed into plants. An explanatory comment follows each tale. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1997.

Wolf-Speaker: The Immortals, Volume 2 RC 48502
by Tamora Pierce
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Wild Magic (RC 48501)*, Daine, mage Numair, and her wolf-pack travel to Dunlath Valley where they find

the valley being ruined by humans, or "two-leggers." Daine uses her magical gifts and unites the animals and humans in an attempt to save their land. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Daja's Book: Circle of Magic, Book 3
RC 49335
by Tamora Pierce
read by Ann Hodapp
1 cassette
Mages-in-training Sandry, Tris, Briar, and Daja come to the aid of the drought-stricken residents of Gold Ridge Valley. When Daja creates a living vine out of metal, other Traders want the vine, forcing Daja to deal with those who thought her unclean. Sequel to *Tris's Book (RC 49334)*. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Briar's Book: Circle of Magic, Book 4
RC 49336
by Tamora Pierce
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Briar, the plant-mage, along with his fellow mages-in-training and their teachers, has come to Summersea to distribute medicines. There Briar learns that a longtime friend has contracted a plague. Everyone joins a race against time to find a cure. Sequel to *Daja's Book (RC 49335)*. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Nursery Tales around the World
RC 49377
retold by Judy Sierra
read by Michael Skinner
1 cassette
An international collection of eighteen folktales from the oral tradition. Six themes group cultural variations together: runaway cookies; incredible appetites; the victory of the smallest; chain tales; slowpokes and speedsters; and fooling the big, bad wolf. For grades 3-6. 1996.

Andy and Tamika RC 49523
by David A. Adler
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
While Andy impatiently waits for his new sibling to be born and his friend Tamika to move in, he befriends a stray kitten at school and offers his multiplying gerbils as carnival prizes. This beginning chapter book is a sequel to *The Many Troubles of Andy Russell (RC 49522)*. For grades 2-4. 1999.

The Hermit Thrush Sings RC 49696
by Susan Butler
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
The oppressive society that controls Earth after a giant meteor strike wants to institutionalize "defective" people. Leora, with a webbed left hand, fears being sent away. She joins a rebel group planning to overthrow the government and discovers a talent for communicating with a new species, birmbas. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Saratoga Secret RC 49709
by Betsy Sterman
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Hudson River Valley, 1777. Sixteen-year-old Amity Spencer is living on a farm near Saratoga, when the menfolk rush to defend the colony against a British invasion from Canada. Amity grows suspicious when peddler Cheppa John fails to join the men and disap-

pears. Is he a spy? For grades 6-9. 1998.

Abraham's Battle: A Novel of Gettysburg RC 49714
by Sara Harrell Banks
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
June 1863. The families of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, know there will soon be fighting in their town. When ex-slave Abraham Small and his charge, Ladysmith, meet a young Confederate soldier, Abraham decides to fight for his beliefs and becomes an ambulance driver for the Union. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Nowhere to Call Home RC 49752
by Cynthia DeFelice
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Frances Barrow's comfortable but dull life changes suddenly when her father kills himself during the Great Depression. Now Frances is to go live with her aunt. When a house servant tells her about the hobo life, Frances puts on boys' clothes, cuts her hair, and hits the rails. For grades 5-8. 1999.

The Song of the Molimo RC 49839
by Jane Cutler
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Harry Jones is spending six weeks at the 1904 St. Louis World's Fair with his cousin Frederick, an anthropologist, who becomes responsible for five African Pygmies on display at the fair. Harry befriends Pygmy Ota Benga and together they come to understand their cultural differences. For grades 5-8. 1998.

The Captive RC 49852
by Joyce Hansen
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
West Africa, 1788. Kofi, a twelve-year-old Ashanti boy, is sold into slavery by his father's own slave. After a few years of servitude in Massachusetts, Kofi manages to escape and is rescued by Paul Cuffe, an African-Indian ship captain who abhors injustice. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Jackie and Me: A Baseball Card Adventure RC 49916
by Dan Gutman
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Honus and Me (RC 49915)*, an assignment for Black History Month prompts Joe Stoshack to use his time-travel ability to visit Jackie Robinson. In 1947 New York, Jackie faces opposition as he becomes the first black baseball player allowed in the majors. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Crazy Jack RC 50017
by Donna Jo Napoli
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
The traditional tale is transformed into a coming-of-age story about risk taking. Here, an older Jack climbs a beanstalk, steals from a giant, and finds that his treasures have a different value back home. Throughout his struggles, Jack's loyalty to his mother and his true love, Flora, remains steadfast. For grades 6-9. 1999.

A Symphony of Whales RC 50035
by Steve Schuch
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Young Glashka's sled dogs lead her to

thousands of Beluga whales trapped by the ice freezing over a great bay. An icebreaker clears a path for the whales, but they don't leave until Glashka's dream about music provides a solution for their rescue. For grades K-3. 1999.

Great Ghost Stories RC 50072
selected by Barry Moser
read by Tom Martin
1 cassette
Thirteen classic spooky stories by such authors as H.G. Wells, Madeleine L'Engle, Bram Stoker, Arthur Conan Doyle, and H.P. Lovecraft. In "The Monkey's Paw" a magical talisman delivers three wishes to its owner. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1998.

The Complete Chronicles of Narnia RC 50083
by C.S. Lewis
read by Erik Sandvold
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Seven stories presented in the chronological order in which C.S. Lewis intended them to be read. The first is The Magician's Nephew, telling how the journeys between the two worlds began and how the wardrobe came to be a doorway leading into Narnia. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Gus and Grandpa and the Two-Wheeled Bike RC 50179
by Claudia Mills
read by Rick Foucheux
1 cassette
Gus feels safer with the training wheels on his bike, even though he has a friend who doesn't need them. Gus's father tries to help him overcome his fear, but it is grandpa who finds the right way to help Gus ride without the extra support. A beginning chapter book. For grades K-3. 1999.

My Side of the Mountain RC 50211
by Jean Craighead George
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette (Reissue)
Sam Gribley relates his adventures during the year he lives alone in the Catskill Mountains. He describes his struggle for survival, his dependence on nature, his animal friends, and his ultimate realization that he needs human companionship. For grades 5-8. 1959.

Our Only May Amelia RC 50217
by Jennifer L. Holm
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
In 1899, twelve-year-old May Amelia lives with her Finnish American family in the small Washington community of Nasel. A tomboy with seven brothers, May becomes anxious about her family's bad luck. Some strong language. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Shower of Gold: Girls and Women in the Stories of India RC 50320
retold by Uma Krishnaswami
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
Eighteen stories from the Indian subcontinent, drawn from Hindu mythology, Buddhism, oral folk traditions, literary works, and legends. In "Gotami and the Mustard Seed" a young wife asks Buddha for medicine to restore her dead son. His reply leads her to new levels of understanding. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry RC 50326
by Mildred D. Taylor
read by Samarra Mbenga
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Nine-year-old Cassie Logan recalls a

turbulent time in Mississippi during the Great Depression—a year of night riders, burnings, and threats. She describes her African American family's struggle to survive with their dignity and independence intact. Some strong language. For grades 6-9. Newbery Award. 1976.

Bird Boy RC 50364
by Elizabeth Starr Hill
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Chang, a mute Chinese boy, communicates better with his father's cormorants—specially trained fishing birds—than with people. One boy, Jinan, always teases him, but Jinan's sister Mei Mei becomes Chang's friend. She helps him when his beloved cormorant chick is in danger. A beginning chapter book. For grades 2-4. 1999.

In My Momma's Kitchen RC 50365
by Jerdine Nolen
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
"Seems like everything good that happens in my house happens in my momma's kitchen," says a young African American girl. The kitchen is where her family visits with great-aunt Caroline, makes big pots of stew and crabapple jelly, watches Janie, the cat, cause trouble, and tells stories on sleepless nights. For grades K-3. 1999.

Snail Mail No More RC 50416
by Paula Danziger and Ann M. Martin
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette
In this sequel to *P.S. Longer Letter Later (RC 47287)* Tara Starr and Elizabeth are excited to have computers for exchanging e-mail. The girls continue to share important news like boyfriends, Tara's new sister, and Elizabeth's alcoholic father. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Following My Own Footsteps RC 50424
by Mary Downing Hahn
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
In 1945 Gordy and his mother and siblings leave his abusive father to stay with Grandma. She corrects Gordy's fighting and shoddy schoolwork, and he must apologize for insulting their neighbor William (who has polio). The boys become friends until Gordy forces William to try to walk. Some strong language. For grades 5-8. 1996.

Salsa Stories RC 50432
by Lulu Delacre
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
When Carmen Teresa receives a journal as a present during her family's New Year's party, she records stories told by the guests about growing up in their Latin American homelands. Carmen also includes recipes for their favorite dishes. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Deep Doo-Doo RC 50456
by Michael Delaney
read by Chris Parente
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old electronics buff Bennet and his best friend, Pete, build a TV transmitter that overrides a local station's broadcasts. The boys interrupt the governor's campaign speeches to spoof him, using Pete's dog as their mouthpiece. Then Bennet's reporter father figures out what's happening. For grades 4-7. 1996.

Cinderella 2000 RC 50467
by Mavis Jukes
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
When fourteen-year-old Ashley gets up the courage to ask her stepmother for a new dress to wear to the country club millennium party, she is horrified to learn she is expected to baby-sit her bratty twin stepsisters that night. But her stepmother's visiting grandmother saves the day. For grades 6-9. 1999.

Believing Is Seeing: Seven Stories RC 50488
by Diana Wynne Jones
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Seven fantasy tales written between 1982 and 1999. The last story, "Nad and Dan adn Quaffy" was inspired by the author's own typos and her habit of drinking coffee—which can be "xiddaw" or "voggrr" (obviously alien beverages), depending on which wrong keys are struck. For grades 6-9. 1999.

The Grooming of Alice RC 50489
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Alice on the Outside (RC 48971)* Alice and her friends decide to get in shape before beginning high school, but Elizabeth becomes overly obsessed with losing weight. Pamela and Alice also face emotional distress during the summer. For grades 6-9. 2000.

I, Amber Brown RC 50501
by Paula Danziger
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Amber Brown Sees Red (RC 45328)*, Amber prepares for Christmas and Hanukkah celebrations with her mother and her mother's fiancé, Max. Meanwhile, Amber doesn't help the growing irritation between her mother and her father when she sneakily gets her ears pierced. For grades 2-4. 1999.

Gloria's Way RC 50553
by Ann Cameron
read by Mary Ann Nichols
1 cassette
Gloria Jones sometimes thinks everything has to be done her way. But in these six short stories Gloria, with the help of her friends Huey, Julian, and Latisha, finds there can be many ways to do some things. Gloria learns about friendships, fractions, and making promises. For grades 2-4. 2000.

Jumping into Nothing RC 50555
by Gina Willner-Pardo
read by Joni Siani
1 cassette
Sophie loves being at the pool with her friend Annalise, until two popular girls challenge them to jump off the high dive. Annalise enjoys it, but Sophie is too afraid. She tries to get over her fear by doing something scary each day. Beginning chapter book. For grades 3-6. 1999.

The Boy's King Arthur: Sir Thomas Malory's History of King Arthur and His Knights of the Round Table RC 50563
edited by Sidney Lanier
read by Dan Bloom
2 cassettes
Contains tales of chivalry, combat, honor, tournaments, the Holy Grail, and the death of King Arthur. Featuring Arthur, Launcelot, Tristram, Gareth, Galahad, Percival, and the other leg-

endary members of the Round Table. For grades 5-8. 1880.

Homeless Bird RC 50592
by Gloria Whelan
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
When Koly turns thirteen, her parents arrange a marriage for her according to the custom in India. But Koly's young husband is seriously ill and may die. She hides a pair of silver earrings —her only possession of value—as a precaution against an uncertain future. For grades 6-9. 2000.

Define "Normal" RC 50645
by Julie Anne Peters
read by Ann Hodapp
1 cassette
Studious Antonia agrees to become a peer counselor, but she's horrified to be assigned punker Jazz Luther, whose complaint is her wealthy parents' attitude problem. Meanwhile, Antonia copes with her severely depressed, divorced mother and cares for her two little brothers. A crisis deepens the girls' relationship. For grades 6-9. 2000.

Pharaoh's Daughter: A Novel of Ancient Egypt RC 50658
by Julius Lester
read by Ann Hodapp
1 cassette
A fictional version of the biblical story of Moses. An Egyptian princess rescues a Hebrew infant who eventually becomes a prophet of his people, while his sister finds her true self as a priestess to the gods of ancient Egypt. For grades 6-9. 2000.

Seventh-Grade Tango RC 50671
by Elizabeth Levy
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
When ballroom dancing is introduced to their school, Rebecca and Scott are teamed up and turn into wonderful dance partners. But Rebecca's friend, Samantha, claims Scott as her new boyfriend just when Rebecca starts to like him as more than a friend. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Because of Winn-Dixie RC 50679
by Kate DiCamillo
read by Ann Hodapp
1 cassette
Ten-year-old India Opal Buloni and her preacher dad move to a new town in Florida during the summer. Opal is lonely until she adopts a big stray dog she names Winn-Dixie. The two soon make friends with the local librarian, the pet store manager, and a nearly-blind elderly neighbor. For grades 3-6. 2000.

The Runaways RC 50680
by Zilpha Keatley Snyder
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
1951. Twelve-year-old Dani hates living in the dismal desert town of Rattler Springs, Nevada, and plans to run away to California. Then Stormy, a pesky neighborhood boy, and Pixie, the new girl in town, decide to join her. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Jumanji RC 50700
by Chris Van Allsburg
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette (Reissue)
Left on their own for an afternoon, two bored and restless children find more excitement than they bargained

for in a mysterious and thrilling jungle adventure board game. For grades K-3. Caldecott Medal. 1981.

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs RC 50751
by Judi Barrett
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette (Reissue)
Life is delicious in the town of Chew-andswallow, where it rains soup and juice, snows mashed potatoes, and blows storms of hamburgers—until the weather takes a turn for the worse. For grades K-3. 1978.

Soccer Scoop RC 50771
by Matt Christopher
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Mac knows he's the best goalie on the Cougar's team and he is critical of his teammates. When caricatures begin to appear in the school paper mocking him, Mac is determined to uncover the anonymous cartoonist. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Wolf Stalker RC 50778
by Gloria Skurzynski and Alane Ferguson
read by Nick Sullivan
1 cassette
Troy, the Landons' new temporary foster child, still insists his mother would not have abandoned him and that she must be in danger somewhere. He angrily accompanies the Landon children and their parents to Yellowstone National Park, where Mrs. Landon, a wildlife veterinarian, has been sent to investigate a wolf attack. For grades 4-7. 1997.

The Wanderer RC 50785
by Sharon Creech
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Thirteen-year-old Sophie and her cousin Cody record their transatlantic voyage by sailboat to visit Bompie, their grandfather in England. Also on board are three uncles and another cousin. The journey of discovery for all six becomes especially important for Sophie, who was adopted into the family only three years ago. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Throwing Smoke RC 50794
by Bruce Brooks
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
When his teammates on the coed baseball team continue their losing streak, Whiz uses a printing press to create baseball cards of imaginary star players. But when the fantasy kids mysteriously show up on the field and start winning, all the fun goes out of the game. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Suitcase RC 50810
by Mildred Pitts Walter
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
1 cassette
Sixth-grader Xander is the school's best artist, but he's lousy at sports, and his tall, skinny frame and big feet have earned him hated nicknames. To please his father, Xander works on eliminating his awkwardness with the help of a new friend. For grades 5-8. 1999.

The Janitor's Boy RC 50811
by Andrew Clements
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
In fifth grade Jack is embarrassed to attend the school where his father is a janitor. When a greeting prompts teas-

ing from his classmates, Jack plans revenge. The prank backfires, but it gives him a chance to learn more about his dad. For grades 3-6. 2000.

Full Court Fever RC 50825
by Fred Bowen
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
The seventh-grade basketball team is good, but having no tall players costs the team game after game. Michael and his teammates especially dread their final game against the much-taller eighth graders. Then an old sports magazine gives Michael an idea to give his team an edge. For grades 3-6. 1998.

On the Line RC 50826
by Fred Bowen
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
1 cassette
Marcus is the star of his middle school basketball team, but his inability to sink free shots is causing the team to lose games. When he finally learns an odd but successful technique from a school janitor, Marcus is embarrassed to try it in public. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Trino's Choice RC 50827
by Diane Gonzales Bertrand
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
1 cassette
When thirteen-year-old Trino becomes friendly with Lisana and her "school type" friends, he begins to see a different way of life outside the barrio. But Trino is still lured by neighborhood losers with the promise of easy money, and he must decide which way to go. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1999.

***Alice in Wonderland* and *Through the Looking Glass, and What Alice Found There* RC 50842**
by Lewis Carroll
read by Yvonne Tessler
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Extraordinary things happen when a little girl falls down a rabbit hole and encounters the White Rabbit, the Cheshire Cat, the Mad Hatter, and other unusual characters. Alice's second adventure takes her to a land with a peculiar back-to-front order in which everything is reversed. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1865.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Las Cenizas de Angela: Una Memoria RC 46999
por Frank McCourt
leído por Juan Ramírez
4 cassettes
El autor recuerda su miserable niñez catolica en su pueblo natal de Limerick, Irlandia. Su padre era un hombre locuaz pero desempleado y alcohólico que no brinda ayuda alguna a la familia. La familia sufre hambre, crueldad, enfermedades y la muerte de niños, pero McCourt narra la historia con afecto y sin rencor. Contiene lenguaje injurioso. (Frank McCourt recollects his "miserable Irish Catholic childhood" in the squalor of Limerick. Absent any support from his glib, but shiftless, alcoholic father, the family suffered hunger,

cruelty, disease, and the death of children. McCourt recounts his story without rancor. Strong language.) 1997.

En el Tiempo de las Mariposas
RC 50285
por Julia Alvarez
leído por María Pino
3 cassettes
Novela de la República Dominicana bajo el régimen de Rafael Trujillo. En 1960 las cuatro hermanas Mirabal luchaban por la libertad y tres de ellas fueron asesinados. La autora, un refugio de ese conflicto, recrea las vidas de las mujeres, martirizadas por sus creencias y su coraje. (Set in the Dominican Republic under the regime of Rafael Trujillo. In 1960 three of the four Mirabal sisters were murdered for their part in the struggle for freedom. The author, a refugee herself, recreates the everyday lives of the women, martyred for their courage and beliefs.) 1995.

Los Ángeles RC 50288
por Billy Graham
leído por Juan Ramírez
2 cassettes
El famoso clérigo evangélico cree que los ángeles hacen un papel más importante en la Biblia que el diablo o los demonios. Graham cree también que Dios manda que los ángeles sirvan de guardianes y protectores a los fieles. (The world-famous clergyman suggests that angels are accorded a more important place in the Bible than the devil or his demons. Graham also believes that God sends angelic beings to watch over and protect His people.) 1976.

El Romance de Don Gato y Otros Cuentos Populares de América Latina
RC 50290
recontado por Lucía M. González
leído por María Pino
1 cassette
El señor don Gato va a casarse y está tan alegre que canta de su amor a las estrellas—pero acaba cayendo del techo. Este cuento y cinco más integran esta colección de cuentos folclóricos de América Latina. Para grados K a 3 y lectores mayores. (Señor Don Gato is so thrilled to be marrying that he sings his love to the stars above—and falls off the roof. Five other Latin American folktales complete the collection. For grades K-3 and older readers.) 1997.

Talking Book Magazines

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For a free subscription to these magazines, contact your cooperating library.

American Heritage (8 issues)
Analog Science Fiction and Fact (13 issues)
Asimov's Science Fiction (12 issues)
The Atlantic Monthly (monthly)
Das Beste aus *Reader's Digest* (10 issues)
Bon Appétit (monthly)
Buenhogar (monthly)
Choice Magazine Listening (on loan from cooperating libraries, bimonthly)
Consumer Reports (monthly)
Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (6 issues)
Cricket (for children, on one cassette with **National Geographic World,** monthly)
Diabetes Forecast (monthly)
Discover (monthly)
Ebony (monthly)
Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)
Foreign Affairs (6 issues)
Good Housekeeping (monthly plus special issues)
Health and Nutrition Newsletters (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, Healthline, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty, Mayo Clinic Health Letter** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter,** monthly)
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Money (monthly plus special issues)
The Musical Mainstream (4 issues)
The Nation (47 issues)
National Geographic (monthly)
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National Review (25 issues)
New Choices: The Magazine for Your Health, Money & Travel (10 issues)
The *New York Times* Book Review (weekly)
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People Weekly (weekly plus special issues)
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Selecciones del *Reader's Digest* (monthly)
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Sound & Vision (10 issues)
Spider: The Magazine for Children (monthly)
Sports Illustrated (weekly plus special issues)
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Talking Book Topics (bimonthly, also contains selections from NLS *News* irregularly)
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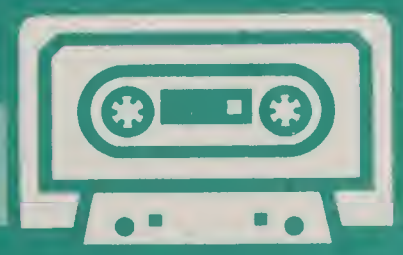

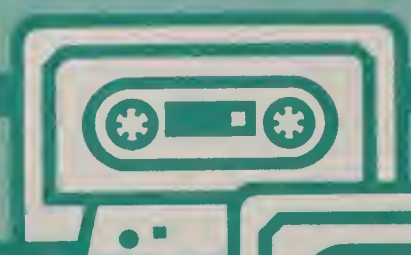

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In Brief

NLS web site upgraded

The NLS web site has been redesigned recently for clarity and ease of use. *Talking Book Topics* and many other NLS publications are available on the web site, including eight annual volumes of *Cassette Books* published since 1993, four biennial volumes of *For Younger Readers, Books in Spanish 1994–2000*, reference materials, subject bibliographies, newsletters, and reports on the progress of the NLS Digital Talking Book Program. Readers will also find a simplified online search tool to enable them to search the NLS catalog. Because of the time required for production processes that follow final editorial review, *Talking Book Topics* is usually posted on the web site several weeks in advance of its availability in print, recorded, or diskette versions.

Newsstand

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Disaster preparedness pamphlet. *Disaster Preparedness for People with Disabilities*, a publication of the American Red Cross, is available for download or for use online at the American Red Cross web site <www.redcross.org/services/disaster/beprepared/mobileprogs.html>. Audiotape cassette and print versions of the

pamphlet are also available for a nominal fee. Contact your local chapter of the American Red Cross for information. Quote reference number A5091 for the print editon, and A5091C for the cassette.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

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Cassettes Nonfiction

The Chan's Great Continent: China in Western Minds RC 48127
by Jonathan D. Spence
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Based on a series of lectures presented at Yale, a survey of China's influence on the West from 1253 to the 1980s. Citing diplomatic reports, letters, plays, films, poetry, and novels, Spence argues that the Western view of China has been shaped by the observations of outsiders rather than the words of the Chinese people themselves. 1998.

The Norton Book of American Autobiography RC 48490
edited by Jay Parini
read by MaryBeth Wise
6 cassettes
Presents more than sixty American autobiographies and memoirs from the seventeenth to the twentieth centuries. Includes Mary Rowlandson's account of being captured by Indians, Frederick Douglass's narrative of his life as a slave, and Mark Twain's recollection of his childhood on the Mississippi. For senior high and older readers. 1999.

Teller of Tales: The Life of Arthur Conan Doyle RC 48653
by Daniel Stashower
read by Corrie James
4 cassettes
Biography of the doctor, athlete, traveler, writer, and spiritualist best known as the creator of Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson in 1886. Describes Doyle's frustration with the popularity of his character, Holmes, and Doyle's lifelong study of the occult, which damaged his reputation. 1999.

World Religions: An Introduction for Students RC 48693
by Jeaneane Fowler and others
read by Margaret Strom
5 cassettes
Five British professors outline the tenets, rites, and traditions of Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, and Sikhism, emphasizing the view that these religions are relevant to life in the late twentieth century. Summarizes basic information to enable believers and nonbelievers to engage in conversation about the spiritual realm. For senior high and older readers. 1997.

Cairo: The City Victorious RC 48700
by Max Rodenbeck
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
A correspondent for the *Economist* and longtime resident of Cairo presents the city's history, inhabitants, and social life, mingled with personal observations. Discusses Cairo's geographic importance, the prevailing influence of Islam, and the pull of Western materialism. Portrays past elegance in contrast to twentieth-century problems. 1998.

Hunting Down the Universe: The Missing Mass, Primordial Black Holes, and Other Dark Matters RC 48712
by Michael Hawkins
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
British astronomer expounds his theory that "quasars, black holes, and big-bang cosmology unite to identify and describe the nature of the universe's missing mass." Discusses the great cosmological debates of the twentieth century and examines the conflict between rationalist and empirical approaches to science. 1997.

Accessible Gardening: Tips and Techniques for Seniors and the Disabled RC 49080
by Joann Woy
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Advises gardeners with special needs on ideas, tools, and methods. Topics include garden design and layout, raised beds, container and tabletop gardening, easy composting, watering, lawn care, and accessories to facilitate physical tasks. An appendix lists sources of tools, supplies, and information. 1997.

Murder in the Name of God: The Plot to Kill Yitzhak Rabin RC 49200
by Michael Karpin and Ina Friedman
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Examines the events that culminated in the assassination of Israel's prime minister in 1995. Includes an interview with Yigal Amir, the Jewish zealot who shot Rabin. Studies the factions in Israeli society that foment political dissension and the foreign support for these movements. 1998.

The Gulag Archipelago, 1918–1956: An Experiment in Literary Investigation; Volume 3, Parts 5–7 RC 49271
by Aleksandr I. Solzhenitsyn
read by Ken Kliban
5 cassettes (Reissue)
These final sections document the rebellion in the camps, especially after Stalin's death; the subsequent brutal quelling of disorders; and the inability of the Russian government to admit past mistakes. Conveys Solzhenitsyn's conclusions about the Russian penal system. Sequel to *The Gulag . . . Volume 2, Parts 3–4 (RC 49270)*. 1978.

Learning to Love: Exploring Solitude and Freedom; the Journals of Thomas Merton, Volume 6, 1966–1967 RC 49274
by Thomas Merton
read by Gordon Gould
4 cassettes
During 1966 and 1967, Merton moves from a period of monastic routine to an intense love affair with a student nurse, then back to the quiet life of contemplation. He discusses his emergence from the experience with a deeper understanding of love and a renewed commitment to his religious vocation. 1997.

Almost Everyone's Guide to Science: The Universe, Life, and Everything RC 49321
by John Gribbin
read by Gillian Green
2 cassettes
An overview of modern science that explains our understanding of the universe. Encompasses atoms, chemistry, evolution, and the solar system, among other topics. Discusses how all of the sciences fit together and can be comprehensible to the average person. 1999.

The Patent Files: Dispatches from the Frontiers of Invention RC 49329
by David Lindsay
read by Gary Roan
2 cassettes
An introduction to the world of inventors and their intriguing and often quirky creations. This collection of fifty articles covers pheromone deodorant, space elevators, a greenhouse helmet, Doppler radar, a toilet-seat lock, and many other products of human ingenuity. 1999.

Kick Ass: Selected Columns of Carl Hiaasen RC 49343
by Carl Hiaasen
read by Len Mailloux
4 cassettes
Essays taken from the author's *Miami Herald* column written from 1985 through the 1990s. Hiaasen, whose latest crime fiction book was *Lucky You (RC 45006)*, lambasts corruption and crime in his native south Florida. He criticizes overpopulation and development, pollution, and crooked politicians—all of which he has seen firsthand as an investigative reporter. 1999.

Dawn Powell: A Biography RC 49397
by Tim Page
read by Samarra Mbenga
3 cassettes
Presents personal facts and traces the career of the mid-twentieth-century American writer who is achieving posthumous success. Discusses her move at age twenty-one in 1918 to New York City where she became part of the literary scene. Describes her dedication to writing throughout the hardships of her adult years. 1998.

Wind: How the Flow of Air Has Shaped Life, Myth, and the Land RC 49589
by Jan DeBlieu
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
The author incorporates science, history, myth, religion, and her own personal experiences in describing the effects the wind has had on the earth and on humankind. Describes global wind systems, the results of windblown insects and seeds, catastrophic storms, pollution, and the destruction of forests. 1998.

The Great Shame: And the Triumph of the Irish in the English-Speaking World RC 49595
by Thomas Keneally
read by Ralph Lowenstein
6 cassettes
A narrative history of the nineteenth-century Irish migrations to Australia and America. Depicts the plight of Ireland's emigrants through biographical accounts of the author's ancestors. Among them is Thomas Francis Meagher, who in 1849 was exiled to Australia but escaped to the United States to lead the Union's Irish Brigade at Antietam. 1998.

Genesis: The Story of *Apollo 8*; the First Manned Flight to Another World RC 49671
by Robert Zimmerman
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
Recounts the flight of *Apollo 8*, the first manned vehicle to venture beyond Earth's orbit. Provides personal biographies of the three astronauts and assesses their accomplishment in the context of the Cold War and the turbulent political events of 1968. 1998.

The Vein of Gold: A Journey to Your Creative Heart RC 49779
by Julia Cameron
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
A step-by-step guide to a journey of spiritual healing and discovery of the creative potential, or "spiritual DNA," that resides in every person. Describes practical tools such as writing, singing, mask-making, and walking meditation to uncover deep-seated strengths and abilities. Companion to *The Artist's Way (RC 41149)*. 1996.

The Book of War RC 49803
edited by John Keegan
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
Military historian compiles twenty-five centuries of writings about conflicts dating from the ancient Greeks to the 1990 Iraqi incursion into Kuwait. Includes an account of Caesar's invasion of Britain, the fall of Constantinople, the siege of Malta, the French withdrawal from Russia, and the Normandy Invasion, along with poetry and reminiscences. Violence. 1999.

Kant's Life and Thought RC 49818
by Ernst Cassirer
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
Twentieth-century philosopher Cassirer portrays the life of Immanuel Kant and discusses his influence on Western thought over two centuries. Provides an interpretation of Kant's writings on the nature of knowledge. Explores his ideas about the role of experience, a priori understandings, and linguistic categories in human comprehension of the universe. 1981.

Fodor's Europe, 2000 RC 49953
read by Robert Blumenfeld
16 cassettes
Practical guide to travel and tourism in eastern and western Europe. Contains information on planning a trip, including transportation to and within the continent. Provides specific recommendations concerning lodging, meals, and tourist attractions in each destination. 1999.

Eleanor Roosevelt's *My Day*: First Lady of the World; Her Acclaimed Columns, 1953–1962 RC 49956
by Eleanor Roosevelt
read by Barbara Rappaport
4 cassettes
This is the third and final volume of select newspaper columns written by Eleanor Roosevelt during the last nine years of her life. She champions world peace through the United Nations, advocates civil rights by promoting desegregation, and supports Adlai Stevenson for president, among other topics. Sequel to *Eleanor Roosevelt's* My Day . . . *1945–1952 (RC 32151)*. 1991.

Lives of the Poets RC 49963
by Michael Schmidt
read by George Holmes
9 cassettes in 2 containers
A history of English-language poetry from the 1300s to 1998, with emphasis on the twentieth century. Encompasses writers from the British Isles, the Caribbean, Australia, India, and North America, discussing their lives and works and the poets' influences on one another over time. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1998.

The Factory of Facts RC 49982
by Luc Sante
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
Memoir of a Belgian-born American who describes various versions of his early years to dramatize the accidental nature of life. He also recounts his later return to Belgium to rediscover "things seen and smelled and tasted and endured in those few years before our clay hardens." 1998.

A Coach's Life RC 49993
by Dean Smith
read by Jim Johnston
4 cassettes
Memoir of the award-winning college basketball coach. The son of a Kansas high school coach, Dean Smith played basketball for the University of Kansas before beginning his coaching career, which included a record-breaking thirty-six-year stint as head coach at the University of North Carolina. 1999.

The Great Republic: A History of America RC 50002
by Sir Winston Churchill
read by Corrie James
4 cassettes
In this work, edited by his grandson, Churchill expounds on the history of his mother's country from its conception to the beginning of the twentieth century. Includes his later speeches and articles about the United States on such topics as California, the death of President Roosevelt, and NATO. 1999.

The Interpretation of Dreams RC 50005
by Sigmund Freud
read by Clifford Carpenter
4 cassettes
Joyce Crick's new translation of Freud's first edition of his classic work written in 1899. Introductory material describes how Freud incorporated autobiography into his theoretical writing. Provides glimpses of daily life in late-nineteenth-century Vienna. Companion to James Strachey's earlier translation, *On Dreams (RC 9451)*. 1999.

A Shining Thread of Hope: The History of Black Women in America RC 50032
by Darlene Clark Hine and Kathleen Thompson
read by Robin Miles
3 cassettes
A chronology of diverse African American women's lives across the United States from colonial times to the late twentieth century. Uses first-person narratives, where available, to recall efforts to resist oppression, improve education, impart religious values, and assume leadership roles in the community and the nation. 1998.

The Rough Riders RC 50049
by Theodore Roosevelt and Richard Bak
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
1899 memoir by future president Theodore Roosevelt of his experiences in

Cuba during the Spanish-American War, first published in *Scribner's* magazine. Describes how he organized his unique regiment, which consisted of wealthy Ivy Leaguers, cowboys and Native Americans, and western scoundrels. Includes supplementary historical information. 1997.

Gotham Unbound: How New York City Was Liberated from the Grip of Organized Crime RC 50054

by James B. Jacobs
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes

An in-depth account of the impact of the Cosa Nostra on business, labor, and politics in New York City in the twentieth century. Describes mob infiltration of the garment, construction, and other major industries. Chronicles law enforcement initiatives since 1980 to drive the mob out of the metropolis. 1999.

Out of Place: A Memoir RC 50068

by Edward W. Said
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes

Reminiscences of a Palestinian American's formative years—from his birth in 1935 until 1962, when he was completing his doctorate. Describes his youth as an exile and refugee, speaking Arabic at home and English at school. Said calls his memoir "an unofficial personal record of those tumultuous years in the Middle East." 1999.

Explorers with Disabilities Program Helps RC 50084

by Boy Scouts of America
read by Ralph Lowenstein
1 cassette

Provides a variety of programs and activities for the scout leader in an effort to include young adults with disabilities in the Exploring program, which includes both men and women from ages fourteen through twenty. Companion to *Scouting for the Physically Handicapped (RC 9429)*. 1994.

A People's History of the Supreme Court RC 50180

by Peter Irons
read by Robert Sams
6 cassettes

A thematic overview of landmark Supreme Court decisions that have shaped the meaning of the constitutional aim to secure "the blessings of liberty." Traces two hundred years of cases and controversies that involve such seminal issues as slavery, segregation, patriotic conformity, abortion, and gay rights. 1999.

The Last Mogul: Lew Wasserman, MCA, and the Hidden History of Hollywood RC 50190

by Dennis McDougal
read by Robert Sams
6 cassettes

Biography of one of Hollywood's most powerful moguls who joined the industry at the beginning of talking films and could singlehandedly make or break a career. Wasserman was also a confidant to other powerful people—politicians and businessmen as well as Mafia bosses—as the head of Universal Studios. Some strong language. 1998.

Saving the Heart: The Battle to Conquer Coronary Disease RC 50193

by Stephen Klaidman
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes

This history of the treatment of coronary disease examines the intersections of medical practice, clinical science, technology, and entrepreneurship. Details

the development of life-enhancing and sometimes life-extending treatments for the number-one killer. Introduces such men as Mason Sones, inventor of the coronary angiography, and Andreas Gruentzig, angioplasty pioneer. 2000.

Fire on the Mountain: The True Story of the South Canyon Fire RC 50200
by John N. Maclean
read by Jim Johnston
2 cassettes
An account of the 1994 forest fire on Colorado's Storm King Mountain, which claimed the lives of fourteen elite firefighters, including four women. Reconstructs the human errors that compounded the natural disaster, mistakes made during the investigations that followed, and lessons to be learned. Some strong language. 1999.

The Physician and the Slave Trade: John Kirk, the Livingstone Expeditions, and the Crusade against Slavery in East Africa RC 50239
by Daniel Liebowitz
read by Peter Johnson
3 cassettes
Account of the life of Sir John Kirk, who accompanied explorer David Livingstone on his second expedition to Africa in 1858. Kirk, a physician and naturalist, sought to bring Christianity to the continent. Appalled by the slave trade, he later returned to Zanzibar to work towards its elimination. Some violence. 1999.

Flags of Our Fathers RC 50264
by James Bradley
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
Recounts the story of the six young marines who raised the flag at Iwo Jima during fierce combat on the obscure Japanese-held island in 1945. Author Bradley, the son of one of the soldiers, recreates his father's experiences as well as those of the five men who fought beside him. Bestseller 2000.

Genome: The Autobiography of a Species in Twenty-Three Chapters RC 50310
by Matt Ridley
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
As the mapping of the sixty to eighty thousand genes in the human genome comes to a close, the author examines an interesting gene on each of the twenty-three chromosomes. Discusses genes' roles in such things as intelligence, memory, and personality, and explains mutations that cause Huntington's chorea and other diseases. 1999.

The Last of the Black Emperors: The Hollow Comeback of Marion Barry in the New Age of Black Leaders RC 50318
by Jonetta Rose Barras
read by Dolores King-Williams
3 cassettes
Traces Marion Barry's youth in Mississippi, years at LeMoyne College, involvement in the civil rights movement, and career as mayor of Washington, D.C., for four nonconsecutive terms. Explores his popularity and charisma; recalls his arrest, imprisonment, and reelection; discusses his efforts to broaden social participation and interest in city government. 1998.

The Hairstons: An American Family in Black and White RC 50321
by Henry Wiencek
read by John Hammock
4 cassettes
Traces the lineage, legacy, and lives of both black and white members of the Hairston family from the American

Revolution through the twentieth century. Recalls the importance of land ownership and inheritance in shaping attitudes toward marriage and kinship. Notes the acceptance between the two groups in the 1990s. 1999.

Road Swing RC 50322
by Steve Rushin
read by Jim Johnston
2 cassettes
A writer from *Sports Illustrated* takes a year-long road trip across America, visiting halls of fame and stadiums while conversing with fans and athletes. Rushin's 23,000 miles of travel take him to Cooperstown, New York; Canton, Ohio; Iowa's Field of Dreams; and the hometowns of some famous heroes. Some strong language. 1998.

Amy Beach, Passionate Victorian: The Life and Work of an American Composer, 1867–1944 RC 50332
by Adrienne Fried Block
read by Margaret Strom
4 cassettes
Biography of the first American woman to succeed as a composer of both art song and large-scale vocal and instrumental works. Discusses the early recognition of her talent and the personal freedom she finally enjoyed on tours as a concert pianist after her husband's death in 1910. 1998.

Against the Tide: The Fate of the New England Fisherman RC 50334
by Richard Adams Carey
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
In this portrait of New England's imperiled fishing industry, the author chronicles his year spent with four independent fishermen, observing and assisting them. Describes their arduous and risky work at sea as they vie for stocks that have been depleted from years of plunder. Discusses causes of the industry's decline. 1999.

Project Girl RC 50336
by Janet McDonald
read by Samarra Mbenga
2 cassettes
Autobiography of an African American lawyer who now resides in France. McDonald was raised in a Brooklyn housing project but was accepted at Vassar. She recalls her problems fitting into a new culture and her early struggles with drugs, despair, poverty, and alienation. Strong language and some violence. 1999.

Grown Up All Wrong: Seventy-five Great Rock and Pop Artists from Vaudeville to Techno RC 50337
by Robert Christgau
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
Tours the realm of popular music—its different styles and well-known artists from the 1950s to 1997. These critical essays trace the evolution of pop, rock-and-roll, hip-hop, and other musical expressions, offering insights and discussing performers from the sophisticated Nat King Cole to the iconoclastic Beastie Boys. Some strong language. 1998.

An Empire Wilderness: Travels into America's Future RC 50369
by Robert D. Kaplan
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Author who wrote *Balkan Ghosts (RC 37464)* describes his travels across western North America and envisions a scenario for the future based on his experience. He foresees a fragmented so-

ciety in which the "haves" and "have-nots" are separated by access to technology and class differences override national boundaries. Some strong language. 1998.

The View from Alger's Window: A Son's Memoir RC 50379
by Tony Hiss
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
A son pays loving tribute to his father, Alger Hiss, who was accused of being a communist spy and convicted of perjury in 1950. To defend his father's innocence, Tony Hiss disputes courtroom testimony by Whittaker Chambers, quotes letters from prison, and presents the recollections of friends and family, including the author's half brother. 1999.

Dieting with the Duchess: Secrets and Sensible Advice for a Great Body RC 50390
by Sarah, the Duchess of York
read by Lisette Lecat
2 cassettes
Sarah Ferguson describes how she became the spokesperson for Weight Watchers and her techniques for losing and maintaining weight. Includes advice on nutrition, exercise, stress-reduction, and self-esteem as well as recipes. 1998.

Peace, War, and Politics: An Eyewitness Account RC 50392
by Jack Anderson
read by Richard Davidson
4 cassettes
Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter continues his life story, begun in *Confessions of a Muckraker (RC 14540)*, with further revelations of the corruption that pervades American politics. Includes recollections of his early career in Utah and China, the savings-and-loan scandal, the Iran-Contra affair, and his dealings with presidents and politicians for five decades. 1999.

The Last Man on the Moon: Astronaut Eugene Cernan and America's Race in Space RC 50403
by Eugene Cernan and Don Davis
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
This memoir of a space pioneer describes his personal experiences during his years with NASA, especially the flights of *Gemini 9*, *Apollo 10*, and *Apollo 17*. Cernan recalls the technical problems, his relations with fellow astronauts, and some family repercussions—but mostly the thrill of being in space and walking on the moon. 1999.

Just as I Thought RC 50406
by Grace Paley
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Paley states that "this is not an autobiographical collection, but it is about my life." In these articles, poems, reports, and talks covering her life from the 1950s to the mid 1990s, Paley offers a glimpse into her life as daughter, mother, grandmother, teacher, and antiwar activist. 1998.

Why They Kill: The Discoveries of a Maverick Criminologist RC 50410
by Richard Rhodes
read by Terence Aselford
3 cassettes
Discusses the theories and life of criminologist Dr. Lonnie Athens, who experienced abuse as a child and later explored the subject of violence. Athens uses case studies of criminals in prison to suggest causes and varieties of destructive behavior and to propose ways

to prevent such outbreaks. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1999.

The Last Avant-Garde: The Making of the New York School of Poets RC 50415
by David Lehman
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
Combines cultural history, biography, and literary analysis. Profiles four major poets: John Ashbery, Kenneth Koch, Frank O'Hara, and James Schuyler. Depicts their friendships and interaction in New York City in the 1950s and early 1960s. Examines their reinvention of poetry and collaboration with other artists. 1998.

Siberian Dawn: A Journey across the New Russia RC 50417
by Jeffrey Tayler
read by Mark Ashby
2 cassettes
An American recounts his adventures and pays tribute to the people he met in 1993 as he traveled 8,325 miles across the Russian Far East through Siberia, the Urals, and Ukraine to Warsaw, Poland. Offers glimpses of the often bleak existence of residents of remote and rarely visited areas. Describes popular disillusionment in the post-Soviet era. 1999.

Jefferson Davis: Unconquerable Heart RC 50418
by Felicity Allen
read by Mary Kane
6 cassettes
Biography of the president of the Confederacy, tracing his ancestry, marriages, children, and career until his death in 1889. Uses first-person accounts as well as autobiographies of Davis and his wife, Varina, to portray his character, personal beliefs, and politics. Discusses Davis's activities following his postwar imprisonment. 1999.

France on the Brink RC 50422
by Jonathan Fenby
read by Steven Carpenter
4 cassettes
Explores the uniqueness of France as well as the problems confronting the nation during the second half of the twentieth century, including political scandals, economic decline, shifting demographics, and social stagnation. Discusses the necessity for national reformation in a global order that requires French stability. 1999.

The Yard: Building a Destroyer at the Bath Iron Works RC 50423
by Michael S. Sanders
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Portrait of Maine's Bath Iron Works, a venerable shipbuilding firm that has produced hundreds of vessels since it was founded in 1884. Chronicles the four-year process of constructing the destroyer USS *Donald Cook*. Describes the planning and craftsmanship needed to assemble a warship in the late 1990s. 1999.

The Mute's Soliloquy: A Memoir RC 50426
by Pramoedya Ananta Toer
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
A harrowing account of life in a penal colony by an Indonesian political dissident. The notes, essays, and unsent letters collected here were written in the last two years of a fourteen-year prison sentence, begun in 1965, during most of which novelist Toer was deprived of

books and writing materials. Some violence. 1999.

Sacred Roads: Adventures from the Pilgrimage Trail RC 50428
by Nicholas Shrady
read by Jim Leary
2 cassettes
A "pilgrim's progress is both an interior journey, a spiritual exercise, and a physical journey toward an actual site imbued with a divine character." Shrady describes the six routes he traveled in such countries as Bosnia, India, and the Holy Land that took him to sites encompassing Christian, Buddhist, Hindu, Jewish, and Islamic traditions. 1999.

A Useful Woman: The Early Life of Jane Addams RC 50429
by Gioia Diliberto
read by Renee Dutton-O'Hara
2 cassettes
Biography of the first thirty-nine years of the social reformer's life—from her birth in 1860 through the 1889 founding of Hull-House to 1899, when she gained national recognition. Discusses influences during her formative years, her private life, and her meaningful career in an age when women had few choices. 1999.

Empire Express: Building the First Transcontinental Railroad RC 50430
by David Haward Bain
read by Robert Sams
8 cassettes in 2 containers
The epic story of connecting America's east and west coasts by railroad during the nineteenth century's Gilded Age. Chronicles the engineering feats, the scandals and political dealings, and the lives of the movers and shakers that accomplished the feat of uniting the country by rail. 1999.

The Enchanted Braid: Coming to Terms with Nature on the Coral Reef RC 50502
by Osha Gray Davidson
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
Presents a natural history of coral reefs and explains their importance to the ecosystem. Surveys the conditions of major reefs and describes the complexity and diversity of marine life found there. Enumerates the threats posed by humanity to these fragile areas and advocates their preservation. 1998.

Places Left Unfinished at the Time of Creation RC 50503
by John Phillip Santos
read by Michael Russotto
2 cassettes
A Mexican American writer from Texas examines his family heritage on both sides of the border. While exploring themes of home and identity, he recounts stories about various relatives —his grandparents and his madrina (godmother) among others. 1999.

See You on the Radio RC 50528
by Charles Osgood
read by Peter Gil
1 cassette
Presents selections from the best of the CBS radio commentator's programs. Includes features on everyday events and on the "human perversity factor," along with samples of the author's verse. 1999.

Blessed by Thunder: Memoir of a Cuban Girlhood RC 50530
by Flor Fernandez Barrios
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
A woman's account of her childhood years during Castro's revolution. Describes harvesting crops at a work camp

and witnessing her family's disillusionment with the changes under the new government. Also depicts the love and wisdom of the author's grandmothers and Afro-Cuban nanny, which sustained her after she left Cuba. 1999.

Air Warriors: The Inside Story of the Making of a Navy Pilot RC 50535
by Douglas C. Waller
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Chronicles the inside story of how air warriors are made by tracking a group through school and interviewing two hundred aviators. The author, a reporter for *Time* magazine who previously investigated the U.S. services' special forces in *The Commandos (RC 39046)*, spent two years following the grueling training of navy pilots. 1998.

The Search for the North West Passage RC 50536
by Ann Savours
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
Chronicles four centuries of expeditions seeking a sea route west from the Atlantic through the Canadian Arctic archipelago to reach China. Excerpts from diaries and letters recount the hardships and courage of these intrepid explorers, including John Barrow, Edward Parry, John Ross, John Franklin, and others. 1999.

Who Killed Kirov? The Kremlin's Greatest Mystery RC 50539
by Amy Knight
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
An account of the December 1934 murder of Leningrad Communist party chief and Stalin's close associate Sergei Kirov. Examines Kirov's career in the Soviet political system, events surrounding the murder, and its tragic aftermath. Based on evidence from the Russian archives. 1999.

Eyewitness to the American West: From the Aztec Empire to the Digital Frontier in the Words of Those Who Saw It Happen RC 50552
edited by David Colbert
read by Dan Bloom
4 cassettes
The editor of *Eyewitness to America (RC 44136)* presents firsthand accounts of events in America from 1519 to the 1990s. Several of these short essays explain reasons for the nation's westward expansion—e.g., to seek religious freedom, escape from creditors, or pursue profits from endeavors such as mining. 1998.

African-American Philosophers: Seventeen Conversations RC 50597
edited by George Yancy
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
3 cassettes
Explores in conversational format the beliefs, identities, and ideologies of seventeen African American philosophers representing various legal, social, political, and moral schools of thought. Topics include existentialism, feminism, race, culture, religion, science, and ideas about the nature of existence. Reflects on these thinkers' formative influences and significant contributions. 1998.

Hockey Now! RC 50607
by Mike Leonetti
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Brief biographies of seventy top National Hockey League players, including goalies Patrick Roy and Grant Fuhr, forwards Eric Lindros and Mark

Messier, and wingers Brett Hull and Jaromir Jagr among others. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

The Shadow of Kilimanjaro: On Foot across East Africa RC 50611
by Rick Ridgeway
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Recalls encounters with wild animals and the reflections engendered while on a hiking trek from the summit of Mt. Kilimanjaro, crossing Tsavo national park, and ending at the Indian Ocean. Ponders man's relationship with African animals as hunter and conservationist, and considers future possibilities. 1998.

The Black O: Racism and Redemption in an American Corporate Empire RC 50616
by Steve Watkins
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
An account of the lawsuit against Shoney's restaurant chain for discriminatory hiring practices against African Americans, which led to a $132.5 million settlement in 1992. Describes how managers were coerced into blackening the "o" in "Shoney" on the application forms of blacks in order to flag minority applicants. 1997.

A Dark Place in the Jungle RC 50617
by Linda Spalding
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
A writer recounts her arduous expedition into the sweltering forests of Borneo in search of a reclusive primatologist who has devoted her life to protecting orphaned orangutans. Describes the forbidding beauty of the island, the colorful local society, and the despoilment of natural resources through poaching, deforestation, and misguided ecotourism. 1998.

Time to Be in Earnest: A Fragment of Autobiography RC 50626
by P.D. James
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
3 cassettes
British mystery writer P.D. James, the creator of Inspector Dalgliesh, begins a diary in 1997 that leads her to reminisce about her personal life, civil service career, and development as a writer, while disdainfully commenting on pop culture. Describes her struggles as her late husband slowly succumbed to mental illness. 1999.

The Remarkable Mrs. Ripley: The Life of Sarah Alden Bradford Ripley RC 50632
by Joan W. Goodwin
read by Jill Ferris
4 cassettes
Biography of a Victorian woman who influenced many of New England's literary elite, including Thoreau and Emerson (who wrote her obituary). A descendant of Pilgrims, Ripley was a classical scholar who helped her Unitarian-minister husband operate a boys' boarding school while raising seven children of her own. 1998.

Desire of the Everlasting Hills: The World before and after Jesus; Hinges of History, Volume 3 RC 50633
by Thomas Cahill
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
Examines "the phenomenon of Jesus" and assesses his impact through history and at the end of the second millennium. Analyzes accounts of his life, teachings, and followers. Confronts the question of whether Christianity has benefited the

world. Sequel to *The Gifts of the Jews (RC 46335)*. 1999.

The Lighthouse Stevensons: The Extraordinary Story of the Building of the Scottish Lighthouses by the Ancestors of Robert Louis Stevenson RC 50634
by Bella Bathurst
read by Frank Coffee
2 cassettes
Portrayal of the family of writer Robert Louis Stevenson. Recalls the ingenuity and perseverance of four generations of engineers who designed and built most of Scotland's lighthouses. Fighting harsh weather, politicians, and scavengers known as "wreckers," the Stevensons redefined the treacherous, jagged coastline. 1999.

Almost an Island: Travels in Baja California RC 50635
by Bruce Berger
read by Peter Johnson
2 cassettes
A writer depicts the beautiful and unique world of the Mexican peninsula known as Baja California, characterizing its terrain as an "eight-hundred-mile dead end." Describes its natural and cultural history, its contemporary society, and the environmental threats posed by land development and technological advancement. Chronicles his thirty-year love affair with the region. 1998.

The Trembling Mountain: A Personal Account of Kuru, Cannibals, and Mad Cow Disease RC 50650
by Robert Klitzman
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Recounts the author's experiences in Papua New Guinea in 1981 studying kuru, an illness caused by essentially the same infectious agent as mad-cow disease. Documents his encounters with the Stone Age Fore group that practices cannibalism. Discusses the difficulties and triumphs of conducting field work in epidemiology and medical anthropology. 1998.

Apocalypse Pretty Soon: Travels in End-Time America RC 50663
by Alex Heard
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
A ten-year survey of millennialists and utopians who anticipate a coming apocalypse, "a period of dramatic upheaval and change that will lead to a new and improved tomorrow." Using published sources and personal interviews, the author describes UFO cultists, Earth Change zealots, life-extensionists, New Agers, and other radical believers. 1999.

We Band of Angels: The Untold Story of American Nurses Trapped on Bataan by the Japanese RC 50664
by Elizabeth M. Norman
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Traces the experiences of the army and navy nurses who were trapped on the Philippine Islands during World War II. Nicknamed the "Angels of Bataan and Corregidor," the women worked in makeshift jungle hospitals before being captured and sent to prison camps for three years. All seventy-seven survived. Some violence. 1999.

Day of Deceit: The Truth about FDR and Pearl Harbor RC 50665
by Robert B. Stinnett
read by Randy Atcher
4 cassettes
The author contends that the December 7, 1941, attack on Pearl Harbor was

effectively orchestrated by the U.S. government in order to justify entering World War II. Cites archival material to support the conspiracy theory that President Franklin D. Roosevelt deliberately provoked the Japanese into military action. 2000.

Napoleon on the Art of War RC 50672
edited by Jay Luvaas
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
An exposition of Napoleon's views on the proper conduct of warfare, based on extensive correspondence and other writings of the French military genius. Covers preparation for war, combat arms, organization, command, and operational art. Discusses the "great captains," including Alexander the Great, Julius Caesar, and Frederick the Great. 1999.

Legacy: A Biography of Moses and Walter Annenberg RC 50678
by Christopher Ogden
read by Lou Harpenau
5 cassettes
A double biography of the father and son who built up a publishing empire and a vast family fortune. Covers Moses' arrival at Ellis Island in 1885; his rags-to-riches tale; the family's marriages, divorces, scandals, success, and failures; and Walter's expansion of the business, political interventions, and philanthropic undertakings. 1999.

***A Woman Alone* and Other Plays RC 50682**
by Franca Rame and Dario Fo
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
A collection of twenty monologs from the 1997 Nobel Prize-winning playwright and his actress wife. The plays deal with political and sexual themes that are often repressed in traditional Italian society, including rape, the double standard, and trophy wives. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1991.

The Golden Age of Travel, 1880–1939 RC 50683
by Alexis Gregory
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Examines the era of glamorous travel. Depicts the wealthy and privileged elite who sailed on luxury ocean liners, traversed continents in private railroad cars, and cruised on personal yachts while vacationing in exotic spots, staying in palatial hotels, and dining from extensive menus. 1998.

Journey beyond Selene: Remarkable Expeditions past Our Moon and to the Ends of the Solar System RC 50687
by Jeffrey Kluger
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Chronicles the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory's unmanned exploration of Earth's solar system with robot spacecraft. Describes the pre-1969 testing of the Moon's surface in advance of the manned landing. Recounts the subsequent deep-space probes of Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune and their moons. 1999.

Old Souls: The Scientific Evidence for Past Lives RC 50688
by Tom Shroder
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
A skeptical journalist's account of a scientist's extensive study of children born with unique knowledge, birthmarks, and other indicators that suggest reincarna-

tion. Describes field trips to Lebanon and India where cases of supposed reincarnation were documented. Explores various theories for explaining these uncanny phenomena. 1999.

Godforsaken Sea: Racing the World's Most Dangerous Waters RC 50690
by Derek Lundy
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Depicts the grueling and perilous 27,000-mile Vendée Globe solo sailing race, which circumnavigates Antarctica in the Southern Ocean. Narrates the 1996 contest through the eyes of the sixteen competitors as they endure fifty-foot waves and hurricane-force winds in the world's most hostile seas. 1998.

Prozac Backlash: Overcoming the Dangers of Prozac, Zoloft, Paxil, and Other Antidepressants with Safe, Effective Alternatives RC 50692
by Joseph Glenmullen
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
A psychiatrist warns against the current practice of indiscriminately prescribing serotonin boosters for patients. After describing the medication's potentially severe side effects, he uses case histories to illustrate alternatives such as herbal remedies and psychotherapy. 2000.

***Illness as Metaphor* and *AIDS and Its Metaphors* RC 50695**
by Susan Sontag
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
Two previously published works about perceptions of disease. In the first, from 1978, an American intellectual discusses punitive or sentimental fantasies "concocted" about being seriously ill—especially suffering from cancer. The second, a sequel produced in 1989, deals specifically with social attitudes toward AIDS. 1989.

Candor and Perversion: Literature, Education, and the Arts RC 50697
by Roger Shattuck
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
A literary scholar critiques the assumptions, content, and methods of American education. Argues that a chief aim of learning is to develop a basic understanding of culture, morality, and literature in order to coexist in a diverse society. Discusses a broad range of literary works. 1999.

The Making of Stonehenge RC 50708
by Rodney Castleden
read by Gordon Gould
3 cassettes
Deals exclusively with the prehistoric Stonehenge site in southern England. The author compiles scientific evidence to "take account of modern archaeologists' interpretations and attempt a synthesis that contains Stonehenge's meaning." The analysis provides an explanation of what the site's creators were trying to achieve. 1993.

Death and Money in the Afternoon: A History of the Spanish Bullfight RC 50715
by Adrian Shubert
read by David Elias
2 cassettes
Discusses bullfighting as a social institution within the framework of a broader society. Traces modern bullfighting from the eighteenth to the twentieth century, revealing changes in Spanish attitudes toward entrepreneurship and the bullfighters. Views the sport from the per-

spectives of business, politics, and gender. 1999.

Strong Women Stay Slim RC 50732
by Miriam E. Nelson
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
In this companion to *Strong Women Stay Young (RC 46865)* the author continues with advice on exercising with weights in order to develop strength, build bone, improve balance and flexibility, and increase energy. Presents pertinent scientific evidence, sample exercises, and healthful recipes. 1998.

A Good-Natured Riot: The Birth of the Grand Ole Opry RC 50736
by Charles K. Wolfe
read by Randy Atcher
3 cassettes
History of the country music radio station that founded the Grand Ole Opry following a well-received broadcast of old-time fiddle tunes in 1925. Recalls the show's early performers. Discusses social and cultural conditions that fueled its immense popularity and created a nationwide audience by the 1940s. 1999.

How to Carve Wood: A Book of Projects and Techniques RC 50740
by Richard Bütz
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Discusses selecting and sharpening tools; selecting and finishing woods; whittling and different carving techniques; design aspects of woodwork; and doing lettering and wildlife and architectural carving. 1984.

Around the World in Twenty Days: The Story of Our History-Making Balloon Flight RC 50743
by Bertrand Piccard and Brian Jones
read by Randy Davidson
2 cassettes
An account of the first nonstop balloon flight to circle the globe. The authors describe their liftoff in Switzerland in March 1999, their record-setting journey, and their landing in the Egyptian desert. Discussion includes equipment used and crises encountered, with revelations of the personal quirks of the two adventurers. 1999.

A Lifetime of Labor: The Autobiography of Alice H. Cook RC 50744
by Alice H. Cook
read by Mitzi Friedlander
4 cassettes
Feminist and labor organizer discusses her life and multifaceted career in an autobiography she completed before her death in 1998 at the age of ninety-five. Her activism, teaching, and research took her around the world and helped working women everywhere strive for gender equality. 1997.

Development as Freedom RC 50746
by Amartya Sen
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
The 1998 Nobel Prize laureate in Economic Science proposes that a nation's well-being is determined by civil rights, political liberties, freedom of speech, and social responsibility, as well as gross national product, industrialization, technology, and modernization. Argues that human development depends on citizens' participation in the decisions that affect their lives. 1999.

Eugene O'Neill: Beyond Mourning and Tragedy RC 50747
by Stephen A. Black
read by Fred Major
5 cassettes
A biography of the Nobel Prize-winning American playwright O'Neill (1888–1953) and a study of his works from a psychoanalytic standpoint. Examines O'Neill's personal tragedies and how he transformed them into drama. Discusses the composition of *Long Day's Journey into Night (RC 19192)* and *The Iceman Cometh (RC 12758)*. 1999.

Sexually Transmitted Diseases RC 50772
by Christine Perdan Curran
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Examines the history, symptoms, treatment, and prevention of sexually transmitted diseases—both bacterial and viral—as well as other contagious problems such as lice, scabies, and fungi. Includes information on syphilis, gonorrhea, herpes, AIDS, and hepatitis. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1998.

What Have You Lost? Poems RC 50773
selected by Naomi Shihab Nye
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Selections from 140 contemporary poets expressing their thoughts and observations in free verse on the theme of loss—of objects, people, places, or concepts. Many of the poems are first-time publications. Biographical notes on the contributors are included. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

One Year Off: Leaving It All Behind for a Round-the-World Journey with Our Children RC 50779
by David Elliot Cohen
read by Peter Johnson
2 cassettes
Travelog of a forty-year-old suburbanite who sold his house and possessions, closed his thriving business, and set out in 1996 with his wife, three children, and a baby sitter on a thirteen-month, sixteen-country trip. This is a compilation of the lengthy descriptive e-mails he sent to friends while on the road. 1999.

Symptoms of Culture RC 50780
by Marjorie Garber
read by Peter Johnson
2 cassettes
Essays identify and analyze cultural symbols that highlight anxieties of modern life in the United States. A Harvard University English professor argues that such practices as praying for God's favor at sports contests and quoting Shakespeare as arbiter of social truth serve to indicate basic beliefs about reality. Some discussion of sexuality. 1998.

Black and White on Wall Street: The Untold Story of the Man Wrongly Accused of Bringing Down Kidder Peabody RC 50793
by Joseph Jett
read by Jake Williams
4 cassettes
A graduate of MIT and the Harvard Business School and former senior bond trader at Kidder Peabody Company asserts that greed, combativeness, corporate misdeeds, financial manipulation, racism, and sexism prevail on Wall Street. Alleges that Kidder and its parent company, General Electric, falsely

accused him of causing their economic losses. 1999.

Lanterns: A Memoir of Mentors
RC 50799
by Marian Wright Edelman
read by Gail Nelson
2 cassettes
In this autobiographical sketch Edelman discusses the influences of the "natural daily" mentors who have enriched, informed, and shaped her life. Her models include not only adults from her youth, but also persons such as Martin Luther King Jr. and Robert F. Kennedy. An afterword includes twenty-five lessons for life. 1999.

Menopause and the Mind: The Complete Guide to Coping with Memory Loss, Foggy Thinking, Verbal Slips, and Other Cognitive Effects of Perimenopause and Menopause RC 50807
by Claire L. Warga
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
Psychologist describes the self-named Warga's Hormonal Misconnection Syndrome (WHMS). Asserts that troubling memory and speech problems occur in women as their estrogen levels drop. Includes detailed descriptions of symptoms, self-screening techniques, and both hormonal and nonhormonal therapies. 1999.

A Sportsman's Life: How I Built Orvis by Mixing Business and Sport RC 50814
by Leigh Perkins
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
An entrepreneur recounts how he turned a foundering company into a thriving $100-million mail-order sporting outfitter. As an avid outdoorsman who delights in traveling the globe to field-test the hunting and fishing equipment he sells, the author wryly observes that "nobody has any reason to feel sorry for me." 1999.

Captured by Aliens: The Search for Life and Truth in a Very Large Universe
RC 50820
by Joel Achenbach
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
A reporter and National Public Radio commentator delves into the question of belief in extraterrestrial life. Drawing on interviews with NASA scientists, a Heaven's Gate survivor, UFO conventioneers, Roswell enthusiasts, *X-Files* stars, and the late Carl Sagan, Achenbach tests claims of encounters with aliens against the scientific evidence. 1999.

Nothing like It in the World: The Men Who Built the Transcontinental Railroad, 1863–1869 RC 50872
by Stephen E. Ambrose
read by Randy Atcher
4 cassettes
A look at the investors, politicians, engineers, surveyors, and laborers involved in the construction of America's first transcontinental railroad. Records the Union Pacific and the Central Pacific Railroads' fierce competition, which ended in a team effort in 1869, to connect America's two coasts by rail. Bestseller 2000.

On Writing: A Memoir of the Craft
RC 50873
by Stephen King
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Prolific, bestselling horror novelist describes his writing technique and gives tips for aspiring authors. King also dis-

cusses pertinent events from his childhood and tells of the near-fatal accident in 1999, when he was hit by a truck while taking his daily walk. Some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

The First American: The Life and Times of Benjamin Franklin RC 50878
by H.W. Brands
read by Mark Ashby
5 cassettes
Biography of one of America's founding fathers, incorporating correspondence and anecdotes of his contemporaries. Franklin was heralded as a leading inventor and scientist, author, and diplomat as well as a bon vivant. In exploring Franklin's conversion from British loyalist to revolutionary, Brands seeks out the genius behind the man. Bestseller 2000.

Joe DiMaggio: The Hero's Life RC 50881
by Richard Ben Cramer
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Muckraking biography of sports legend Joe DiMaggio, who rose from his Sicilian working-class background in San Francisco to become an American icon. Explores his pivotal games and business decisions, his obsession—and fights—with Marilyn Monroe, his dubious mob acquaintances, his life after baseball, and his lonely death in Florida. Some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

The Spanish Inquisition: A Historical Revision RC 50886
by Henry Kamen
read by Annie Wauters
4 cassettes
The author reexamines his original research on the medieval Spanish Inquisition. Includes information on how the Inquisition operated, its trials and punishments, its impact on literature and science, the dispersion of the Jews, and anti-Catholic propaganda. Argues that the Inquisition was not as powerful or cruel as it has often been judged. 1997.

Haiti: Land of Inequality RC 50901
by Mary C. Turck
read by Ted Stoddard
1 cassette
Examines the history of Haiti's ethnic conflicts and their continuing effects on its people. Chronicles important milestones and describes Haitian leaders. Discusses geography, religion, language, economics, and class divisions in terms of the nation's social problems. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

The Anti-Aging Zone RC 50904
by Barry Sears
read by Rick Rohan
3 cassettes
Describing how to live a longer and more functional life, the author discusses the hormonal group eicosanoids in greater detail than he had in *The Zone (RC 42493)* and his other books. He asserts that through dietary control, hormonal communication can be improved and the aging process reversed. 1999.

The Day John Died RC 50930
by Christopher Andersen
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
Calling this the final book in his Kennedy family trilogy, the author of *Jackie after Jack (RC 45845)* discusses the life and untimely death of John Kennedy Jr. in 1999. Thirty-eight-year-old John, his wife, Carolyn, and her sister died in a plane John was piloting. Some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Kids Still Say the Darndest Things! RC 50944
by Art Linkletter
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
A selection of humorous "quips, slips, and shockers" uttered by children on the television show "Art Linkletter's House Party." Companion to *The New Kids Say the Darndest Things! (RC 16266)*. 1961.

Constantine the Great: The Man and His Times RC 50962
by Michael Grant
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
Biography of the first Christian Roman emperor and founder of Constantinople. Constantine (c. 272–337) fought numerous civil and foreign wars and murdered his eldest son and wife. Grant describes Constantine's government and character, the founding of his capital, and the establishment of Christianity as the state religion. 1994.

American Rhapsody RC 51008
by Joe Eszterhas
read by John Polk
4 cassettes
The screenwriter of *Basic Instinct* and *Showgirls* provides his own satiric take on the Clinton sex scandals, using a combination of researched facts and fictionalized embellishments. Focuses on the Lewinsky affair and Hollywood. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2000.

Bobbi Brown Teenage Beauty: Everything You Need to Look Pretty, Natural, Sexy, and Awesome RC 51013
by Bobbi Brown and Annemarie Iverson
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Noted makeup artist provides instructions on choosing and applying cosmetics. Addresses common teen issues including blemishes and braces. Includes sections on hair care, body type, self image, and beauty tips for various ethnic types. For junior and senior high and older readers. Bestseller 2000.

Strong Women, Strong Bones: Everything You Need to Know to Prevent, Treat, and Beat Osteoporosis RC 51016
by Miriam E. Nelson
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
The author of *Strong Women Stay Young (RC 46865)* prescribes a strength training program and nutritional guidelines to fight osteoporosis and osteopenia. She also discusses diagnostic tests; medications, including hormone replacement therapy; and myths regarding bone density. Provides an altered program for men at risk. 2000.

Butterfly Economics: A New General Theory of Social and Economic Behavior RC 51022
by Paul Ormerod
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
The head of the Economic Assessment Unit at the *Economist* and a visiting professor at the Universities of London and Manchester presents an unconventional economic model. Asserts that the discipline is unpredictable and uncontrollable largely because of uncertain-

ties in human behavior and communities. Appendixes and footnotes explain specialized and technical terms. 1998.

Shabbat Shalom: Recipes and Menus for the Sabbath RC 51031
by Susan R. Friedland
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Following a brief discussion of the Sabbath, Friedland offers more than 175 traditional and contemporary recipes for celebrating the three Sabbath meals. Includes challah, appetizers, soups, meats, kugels, vegetables, salads, and desserts. Also features sample menus. 1999.

The O'Reilly Factor: The Good, Bad, and Completely Ridiculous in American Life RC 51053
by Bill O'Reilly
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
A running commentary on society by the Fox News Channel's broadcast journalist. Discusses a wide-range of topics, including class, race, money, politics, and sex, as well as interpersonal relationships and the ridiculousness of life. Some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Talking Dirty with the Queen of Clean RC 51054
by Linda Cobb
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Cobb offers down-to-earth housekeeping tips that get cleaning jobs done quickly throughout the house. She advocates the use of inexpensive, environmentally friendly cleaning concoctions such as tea, lemon juice, baking soda, and vinegar. Her advice includes methods for washing household and personal items both inside and outside your home. Bestseller 1998.

The Soy Zone RC 51059
by Barry Sears
read by Rick Rohan
3 cassettes
In this companion to *The Zone (RC 42493)*, the author recommends using primarily soy products as protein sources and explains why he considers this to be his healthiest hormone-balancing diet yet. Includes over one hundred recipes. 2000.

The Paris Years of Thomas Jefferson RC 51085
by William Howard Adams
read by Peter Gil
3 cassettes
Traces Thomas Jefferson's years in Paris as the preeminent American diplomat from 1784 to 1789 (after Benjamin Franklin). Examines the city's intellectual, political, and cultural influence on his ideas and ideals. Notes its effects on his performance as third president of the United States, especially his economic and fiscal initiatives. 1997.

Lost at Sea: An American Tragedy RC 51089
by Patrick Dillon
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Recounts how in 1983, two boats from a fishing fleet out of Anacortes, Washington, simultaneously capsized off the coast of Alaska, without giving distress signals. Describes the extensive investigation into the mysterious incident and explains why crabbing had become "the nation's deadliest occupation." Some strong language. 1998.

I Love You, Ronnie: The Letters of Ronald Reagan to Nancy Reagan RC 51118
by Nancy Reagan
read by Judith Ann Gantly
1 cassette
While preparing Ronald's letters to her for inclusion in the Ronald Reagan Library, Nancy Reagan realized how much they said about him as president and as a man. His writings, which began in the 1950s, and Nancy's reflections on them provide a glimpse into their lives, both private and public. Bestseller 2000.

Born Free: A Lioness of Two Worlds RC 51124
by Joy Adamson
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette (Reissue)
The wife of a Kenya game warden recounts the couple's unique relationship with the lioness Elsa. Recalls raising the orphaned cub for three years and ingeniously training her to fend for herself. Describes how Elsa recognized her human friends even after she returned to the wild. Reprinted with a new foreword in 2000. 1960.

Don't Sweat the Small Stuff for Teens: Simple Ways to Keep Your Cool in Stressful Times RC 51201
by Richard Carlson
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
This companion to *Don't Sweat the Small Stuff (RC 45257)* and others in the series for adults, advises teens on controlling stress in their lives. Includes one hundred tips on coping with such things as breakups, bad hair days, and peer pressure. For junior and senior high readers. Bestseller 2000.

The Catholic Vision RC 51210
by Edward D. O'Connor
read by Lou Harpenau
5 cassettes
A Roman Catholic priest and Notre Dame theology professor discusses the mysteries of God, Jesus Christ, and the Church. Outlines defining features, teachings, and practices of his religion. Asserts that Catholic doctrine is coherent, intelligible, reasonable, and socially relevant. Disputes the notion of a conflict between faith and reason. 1992.

Sessions with Sinatra: Frank Sinatra and the Art of Recording RC 51213
by Charles L. Granata
read by Barry Bernson
3 cassettes
Portrays Frank Sinatra as producer and perfectionist in the recording studio. Traces technological advances, including the shift from monaural to stereo sound, that affected his method. Features recollections of associated musicians and arrangers. Foreword by Phil Ramone and afterword by Nancy Sinatra. 1999.

Physics in the Twentieth Century RC 51220
by Curt Suplee
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Describes advances in physics over the last century. Includes chapters on the electromagnetic spectrum, quantum mechanics, atomic structures, chaos and order, and the evolution of the universe. Chronicles the research that resulted in the creation of new technology. For senior high and older readers. 1999.

Fatherneed: Why Father Care Is as Essential as Mother Care for Your Child RC 51289
by Kyle D. Pruett
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
A psychiatrist who has done extensive research on fathering examines the importance of the father-child bond and how paternal care differs from a mother's. Using quotes from children and parents to illustrate his points, Pruett discusses the roles of males as primary caregivers and how fathering changes men for good. 2000.

Dixie Chicks: Down-Home and Backstage RC 51290
by James L. Dickerson
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Traces the singing careers of sisters Martie and Emily Erwin and cohort Natalie Maines from their early days in Dallas to the award-winning achievements of their country-western band. Discusses the group's original members and the later merchandising success of the Dixie Chicks. For senior high and older readers. 2000.

A Short Guide to a Happy Life RC 51407
by Anna Quindlen
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Inspirational advice to find fulfillment in enjoying each moment of life. Words of wisdom spoken from the heart by the bestselling author of such works as *Object Lessons (RC 33059)*, *One True Thing (RC 40750)*, and *Black and Blue (RC 45715)*. Bestseller 2000.

Touch the Top of the World: A Blind Man's Journey to Climb Farther than the Eye Can See RC 51505
by Erik Weihenmayer
read by Dan Bloom
3 cassettes
In this adventure-packed memoir, the author recalls rebelling against becoming blind by age fifteen. Relates acquiring a passion for mountaineering and developing the character traits that enabled him to succeed. Covers his climbing exploits and his wedding on top of Mount Kilimanjaro. Some strong language. 2001.

The Imprisoned Guest: Samuel Howe and Laura Bridgman, the Original Deaf-Blind Girl RC 51840
by Elisabeth Gitter
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
The life of Laura Bridgman, deaf and blind from age two, who became one of the most famous women of the mid-nineteenth century. Explores her education with Samuel Howe at Boston's Perkins Institution for the Blind. Views her achievements in the context of American social, cultural, and intellectual history. 2001.

Cassettes Fiction

Caesar: Let the Dice Fly RC 45492
by Colleen McCullough
read by Chuck Benson
6 cassettes
This sequel to *Caesar's Women (RC 41781)* continues the account of Julius Caesar, beginning as he conquers Britannia in 54 B.C. After receiving word that his mother and daughter are dead, Caesar returns to Gaul, where he

defeats a former ally, Pompey. Caesar then stands poised to seize control of the entire Roman empire. Some violence and some strong language. 1997.

The Queen of Spades*; *The Negro of Peter the Great*; *Dubrovsky*; *The Captain's Daughter
RC 47517
by Alexander Pushkin
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
Four stories by the nineteenth-century Russian writer. *The Queen of Spades*, written in 1833, tells of a young officer's obsession with winning at cards. His subterfuge, intended to learn an elderly countess's secret for success, has dire consequences for both of them. 1962.

The Big Blowdown RC 49222
by George P. Pelecanos
read by Conrad Feininger
2 cassettes
When Pete Karras returns to Washington, D.C., after World War II, he takes up with childhood buddy Joey Recevo, who collects protection money for a loan shark. Karras's refusal to rough up a fellow Greek gets his knee smashed, but years later Karras gets revenge. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1996.

The Whispering Outlaw RC 49320
by Max Brand
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
Jack Richards, nicknamed The Whisperer, creates a loose and anonymous gang of thieves to commit robberies throughout the West. Only when he is betrayed by one of the gang are his true motives—and identity—revealed. Some violence. 1923.

The Demon Apostle: DemonWars, Volume 3 RC 49339
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Michael Scherer
4 cassettes
Believing the demon dactyl has finally been destroyed, Elbryan and Pony travel around Corona hoping to restore peace to the land. But they soon discover the demon has survived and now manifests himself in the person of Father Abbot Markwart and other Albellican monks. Sequel to *The Demon Spirit (RC 49338)*. 1999.

The Black Rose RC 49358
by Thomas B. Costain
read by Ray Childs
4 cassettes (Reissue)
1273. Walter of Gurnie, bastard son of a noble crusader, meets commoner Tristram Griffen and Friar Roger Bacon at Oxford. Following his father's death, Walter journeys to Cathay seeking knowledge and riches. Tristram joins his adventures, which include the rescue of a captive Greek girl, whom Walter marries. Some violence. 1945.

Truly Madly Yours RC 49369
by Rachel Gibson
read by Lindsay Ellison
2 cassettes
Henry Shaw commits suicide, leaving an unusual will that affects his son, Nick, and stepdaughter, Delaney. It restricts Delaney from leaving town for a year and Nick from having a sexual relationship with her. But that's not easy for two enamored people. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.

The Ombú Tree RC 49559
by Elise Dallemagne-Cookson
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
In 1962, Michael and Diana Haines and their two-year-old son, Philip, immigrate to Argentina. They build a model dairy farm and enjoy country living. Along the way, they encounter unanticipated obstacles: political revolutions, forces of nature, former Nazis, and ghosts on their property. 1998.

The Road Home RC 49593
by Jim Harrison
read by Bob Askey
4 cassettes
In this sequel to *Dalva (RC 28211)*, patriarch John Northridge reminisces about his life as a failed artist and successful rancher, and about the women he loved. His granddaughter Dalva's nomadic son, Nelse, adopted from birth, searches for his birth mother and becomes acquainted with his Native American heritage. Some strong language. 1998.

Adem's Cross RC 49747
by Alice Mead
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Kosovo, 1993. Fourteen-year-old Adem tries to understand the violent feud that has developed between his Muslim countrymen and their Serb neighbors. But after his sister is killed, his father is imprisoned, and Adem is tortured, he looks for an escape from the country. Some violence. For senior high readers. 1996.

Glory's People: Goldenwing Cycle, Book 3 RC 49761
by Alfred Coppel
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Fleeing the Terror they met in *Glory's War (RC 49760)* and hoping to find allies, those aboard the Goldenwing starship Glory travel to the planet Yamato, a world steeped in feudal tradition, though equipped with modern technology. But the Terror has already infiltrated the planet, forcing everyone to focus on survival. 1996.

Stand into Danger: Richard Bolitho Novels, Volume 2 RC 49765
by Alexander Kent
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes (Reissue)
As a third lieutenant in the Royal Navy in 1774, eighteen-year-old Richard Bolitho is dispatched on a secret mission to the Caribbean. He faces the loss of a star-crossed love—his first—as military life begins to mold him into a model officer. Sequel to *Midshipman Bolitho (RC 49764)*. Some violence. 1980.

In Gallant Company: Richard Bolitho Novels, Volume 3 RC 49766
by Alexander Kent
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In 1777 Lieutenant Richard Bolitho of the British navy joins in the blockade of the American colonies. His ship patrols the coast to prevent the French and other privateers from supplying Washington's rebels. Sequel to *Stand into Danger (RC 49765)*. Some violence. 1977.

Sloop of War: Richard Bolitho Novels, Volume 4 RC 49767
by Alexander Kent
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes (Reissue)
In 1778 Richard Bolitho takes command of the HMS *Sparrow*. He sails into the Atlantic, where he fights colonial rebels and deals with privateers, French warships, and a dangerously incompetent senior officer. Sequel to *In Gallant Company (RC 49766)*. Some violence. 1972.

The Dragonriders of Pern: *Dragonflight*, *Dragonquest*, and *The White Dragon* RC 49811
by Anne McCaffrey
read by J.P. Linton
7 cassettes in 2 containers (Reissue)
It has been years since the dreaded "threads" descended on Pern, and the inhabitants, busy with daily pursuits, no longer worry about the danger. Now, with only a few dragons left who can take to the skies and destroy the threads, they suddenly begin falling again. For senior high and older readers. 1988.

The Flying Cavalier: The House of Winslow, Book 23 RC 49920
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Lieutenant Lance Winslow, in France on a training mission, falls in love with and marries Noelle Laurent. A few years later, after Noelle is killed in a bombing raid, Lance meets Josephine Hellinger, who tries to help him overcome his bitterness about the past. Sequel to *The White Hunter (RC 49919)*. 1999.

Three Gothic Novels: *Wieland* (or, *The Transformation*); *Arthur Mervyn* (or, *Memoirs of the Year 1793*); *Edgar Huntly* (or, *Memoirs of a Sleep-Walker*) RC 50006
by Charles Brockden Brown
read by Michael Scherer
6 cassettes
Three gothic novels written in 1798 and 1799. *Wieland* is based on an actual murder by an insane farmer; *Arthur Mervyn* occurs during a yellow-fever epidemic in Philadelphia in 1793; and *Edgar Huntly* involves sleepwalkers. 1998.

Virgin Earth RC 50011
by Philippa Gregory
read by Barbara Caruso
4 cassettes
John Tradescant the Younger has inherited his father's talent for nurturing plants. When he sails to Virginia in 1638 to gather specimens for the king's gardens, he meets Suckahanna, a Powhatan maiden. He promises to marry her when he returns to America, but many obstacles await him. Sequel to *Earthly Joys (RC 50010)*. 1999.

Pay It Forward RC 50012
by Catherine Ryan Hyde
read by Bruce Nelson
2 cassettes
Twelve-year-old Trevor tackles his new teacher's extra-credit assignment to improve the world. He performs three large favors, and instead of paying him back, each recipient agrees to pay favors forward to three more people, and so on. Initially a disaster, his project soon snowballs into a great success. Some strong language. 1999.

The Window at the White Cat
RC 50014
by Mary Roberts Rinehart
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Margery Fleming's father, Allan—the "state treasurer, a delightful companion, polished gentleman, and successful politician of the criminal type"—has been missing for ten days. Margery seeks the help of lawyer John Knox and moves in with her aunts, but trouble seems to follow her wherever she goes. 1910.

Star Wars: The New Jedi Order; Dark Tide, Onslaught RC 50026
by Michael A. Stackpole
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
As Luke Skywalker contends with rogue elements rebelling against his rule, the New Republic is attacked by aliens known as Yuuzhan Vong. The Jedi are tested as never before in their struggle to prevail against the aggressors. A Star Wars novel. Bestseller 2000.

The Best American Mystery Stories, 1999
RC 50183
edited by Ed McBain
read by Christopher Walker
4 cassettes
Collection of nineteen mysteries by well-known authors Lawrence Block, Ed Gorman, Phillip M. Margolin, John Updike, and others. In "Redneck," private eye Amos Walker tracks a cheating wife —with murderous results. In "Wrong Time, Wrong Place," two punks kidnap the wrong couple. Some violence and some strong language. 1999.

Great Stories of the American West II
RC 50196
edited by Martin H. Greenberg
read by Michael Russotto
3 cassettes
A selection of eighteen short stories. Includes "The Idyl of Red Gulch" by Bret Harte, "The Lonesome Road" by O. Henry, and tales by Jack London, Mark Twain, John Jakes, Louis L'Amour, Evan Hunter, Bill Pronzini, Marcia Muller, Erle Stanley Gardner, and Ed Gorman. 1996.

Jason's Gold RC 50201
by Will Hobbs
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
When fifteen-year-old wanderer Jason Hawthorn decides to join the Klondike gold rush, he learns that his older brothers beat him to it. Jason spends a difficult year trying to find them, befriending writer Jack London and others along the way. Some violence. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

The Scapegoat RC 50205
by Daphne du Maurier
read by David Cutler
3 cassettes (Reissue)
John, an English professor on holiday in France, encounters his exact double, Frenchman Jean de Gué. Monsieur de Gué, who is beset by family and business problems, deceitfully shifts identities with John, leaving the hapless Englishman in a sea of troubles. 1956.

The Night Inspector RC 50212
by Frederick Busch
read by David Elias
2 cassettes
Disfigured Civil War veteran William Bartholomew prowls the slums of Manhattan, where he befriends customs in-

spector Herman Melville. Encouraged by a Creole prostitute, Bartholomew joins a scheme to free African American children who are being traded as slaves in Florida. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1999.

Cold Case RC 50219
by Stephen White
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Colorado psychologist Alan Gregory and his wife, assistant prosecutor Lauren Crowder, agree to help an elite group of Washington, D.C., investigators solve a decade-old murder of two teenagers. Suspicions fall on a congressman whose wife's mysterious death left unanswered questions. Violence and some strong language. 2000.

The Buckskin Line RC 50220
by Elmer Kelton
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
On the Texas frontier in 1840, the Comanche warrior Buffalo Caller claims a red-haired boy during a raid that kills many settlers. The orphaned boy, Rusty Shannon, is eventually rescued, grows up to become a Ranger, and—years later—has another encounter with Buffalo Caller. 1999.

Bonfire RC 50221
by Dorothy Canfield
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
Nurse Anna Craft returns to her Vermont village of Clifford after spending two years working in Paris. Her half-brother, Anson, now a doctor, is determined to pay Anna back for supporting him. Young Lixlie, shunned by most of the villagers, and disfigured Father Kirby play prominent roles in their lives. 1933.

Something Wicked This Way Comes RC 50233
by Ray Bradbury
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Will Halloway and Jim Nightshade, both thirteen, are fascinated by the carnival that comes to their small town. But after a series of frightening events, the boys realize there is something sinister about the show and its owner. 1962.

The Key of the Keplian: Witch World RC 50243
by Andre Norton and Lyn McConchie
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Eleeri—part Native American, part Celtic—is fifteen when her grandfather dies, and she must flee to save her life. She travels the path of the gone-before-ones and eventually finds herself in a new land. There she rescues two Keplians—a mare and her foal—and finds love. 1995.

The Forest RC 50245
by Edward Rutherfurd
read by Gillian Green
6 cassettes
Saga of family life and political intrigue over nine centuries in southern England's New Forest. Clerics, smugglers, woodsmen, aristocrats, and merchants —along with forest creatures—play their parts in the panorama, from the killing of William the Conqueror's son Rufus in 1099 to the filming of a story about the land in April 2000. 2000.

Girl with a Pearl Earring RC 50258
by Tracy Chevalier
read by Lisette Lecat
2 cassettes
A fictional account of how the seventeenth-century artist Vermeer came to paint a portrait of a young woman wearing a pearl earring. When sixteen-year-old Griet, a Protestant, becomes a maid in Vermeer's Catholic household, the drudgery of her duties is offset by working in the artist's studio. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1999.

Middle of Nowhere RC 50268
by Ridley Pearson
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
Seattle police lieutenant Lou Boldt and psychologist Daphne Matthews are investigating assaults on fellow officers and a string of robberies just as the department is stricken with the "blue flu" —an unofficial strike. They soon realize that these events are related and their lives are in danger. Violence and strong language. 2000.

In the Fall RC 50270
by Jeffrey Lent
read by David Hartley-Margolin
5 cassettes
After serving in the Civil War, Norman Pelham returns home to Vermont with his African American bride, Leah. Some time later, following a visit to her North Carolina home, Leah hangs herself. Eventually, Leah's grandson sets out to uncover the story of her tragic end. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2000.

The Web and the Rock RC 50278
by Thomas Wolfe
read by L.J. Ganser
6 cassettes (Reissue)
Wolfe continues the autobiographical cycle of novels begun in *Look Homeward, Angel (RC 37655)* and *Of Time and the River (RC 48934)*. Published posthumously, this story follows George Webber, from his childhood in North Carolina through his college years, his travels in Europe, and his love affair in New York City. Some strong language. 1937.

Dead above Ground RC 50308
by Jervey Tervalon
read by Dolores King-Williams
2 cassettes
New Orleans, 1946. Mixed-blood teenager Lita Du Champ learns all of the family secrets when her married sister falls for a gangster and pimp with a long-standing grudge against her mother, Helen. Suddenly Lita and Helen are fighting for the family's very survival. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Chumley's Gold: A Western Duo RC 50317
by Wayne D. Overholser
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Two western novellas. In *High Valley*, Grant Talbot tries to save the Wagon Wheel Ranch for the murdered owner's widow. In *Chumley's Gold*, Dan Larsen discovers that his late father was a bank robber and that a fortune might still be buried on his old homestead. Some violence. 1999.

O Jerusalem: A Mary Russell Novel
RC 50327
by Laurie R. King
read by Corrie James
3 cassettes
Palestine, 1919. Britain has recently driven the Turks out of the country and is trying to stem the ethnic and religious unrest in the area. Meanwhile, Sherlock Holmes and his apprentice, Mary Russell, are sent to Jerusalem by Sherlock's older brother Mycroft to investigate murder and treason. Some violence. 1999.

Perlman's Ordeal RC 50330
by Brooks Hansen
read by Vanessa Maroney
3 cassettes
London, 1906. Dr. August Perlman, a music lover originally from Vienna, usually treats patients by hypnosis, but he encounters difficulties in the case of Sylvie Blum, a hysterical thirteen-year-old. Overwhelmed by a compelling spiritualist, too much hashish, and Sylvie's tales of Atlantis, Perlman finds himself in over his head. 1999.

Masterson RC 50331
by Richard S. Wheeler
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Just before Prohibition in 1920, "Bat" Masterson's wife, Emma, persuades him to take her to Dodge City to fathom his legend. On the pilgrimage to his past, Masterson seeks to establish his actual deeds, as distinct from the myths propagated by newspapers. Some strong language. 1999.

The Redhunter: A Novel Based on the Life of Senator Joe McCarthy
RC 50333
by William F. Buckley
read by Peter Gil
3 cassettes
Recreation of a troubled era in twentieth-century American politics. McCarthy's life and anticommunist crusade are sympathetically recalled by author Buckley's fictitious narrator, a professor who worked with McCarthy in the early 50s. He regrets the senator's painful decline and fall but maintains respect for his goals. Some strong language. 1999.

Leota's Garden RC 50338
by Francine Rivers
read by Colleen Delany
4 cassettes
At eighty-four, Leota can no longer tend her once-beautiful backyard. And her born-again granddaughter, who is rebelling against her domineering mother, needs guidance. Then a college boy volunteers to help restore Leota's garden. Together the three come to find peace and solace amid the blossoms. 1999.

The Riddle of the Reluctant Rake
RC 50360
by Patricia Veryan
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
When Colonel Hastings Chatteris Adair is wrongly stripped of his rank, he sets out to prove his innocence. He is accused of kidnapping Miss Alice Prior and destroying her reputation. But with the aid of several faithful friends, Adair struggles to set the record straight. Sequel to *The Riddle of the Lost Lover (RC 48738)*. 1999.

The Girl Philippa RC 50361
by Robert W. Chambers
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes
Northern France, 1914. Halkett, a British officer in civilian clothes and concealing a thin envelope destined for London, is in danger from murderous pursuers. He approaches a stranger, an American artist, and takes the chance of entrusting him with the envelope. Together at the Café Biribi, they meet the cashier Philippa. 1916.

The Little Red Foot RC 50362
by Robert W. Chambers
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
The love story of colonist John Drogue and a young Scottish woman, Penelope Grant, set in northern New York during the American Revolution. The war's bloody battles involve not only the colonists and the British, but the native Iroquois and Oneida as well. 1921.

Jem (and Sam) RC 50363
by Ferdinand Mount
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
Fictitious memoirs of Jeremiah (Jem) Mount, the drinking companion and rival of the seventeenth-century British diarist Samuel (Sam) Pepys. His tale leads through the taverns and palaces of Restoration England and shows the growing credence given to science over religion. Some descriptions of sex. 1998.

The American Claimant RC 50367
by Mark Twain
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Viscount Berkeley leaves England to investigate claims on the family title and to satisfy his fascination with democracy and all things American. In the United States, he takes advantage of an opportunity to hide his identity and meets the claimant, Colonel Mulberry Sellers. Based on the author's unsuccessful 1887 play. 1892.

The Fencing Master RC 50376
by Arturo Pérez-Reverte
read by Jonathan Davis
2 cassettes
Madrid, 1866. Don Jaime Astarloa is an honorable man of tradition who makes his living teaching fencing to wealthy students. But his life changes forever when a beautiful young lady enters his studio requesting advanced lessons. Don Jaime unwittingly becomes embroiled in political intrigue—and murder. 1988.

The Body in the Big Apple: A Faith Fairchild Mystery RC 50378
by Katherine Hall Page
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
In this prequel to the Faith Fairchild series, young Faith has just launched her catering business in New York when former classmate Emma Stanstead asks for her help. A blackmailer is threatening to use secrets from Emma's past to ruin her husband's political career. Some violence and some strong language. 1999.

Somewhere Lies the Moon RC 50383
by Kathryn Lynn Davis
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
5 cassettes
Scotland, 1993. Eva Crawford inexplicably refuses a marriage proposal. Her ancestral journals seem to be pulling her into the past and in a series of flashbacks Eva relates with family matriarch Mairi Rose and her half-sisters Ailsa,

Genevra, and Lian. Sequel to *All We Hold Dear (RC 44911)*. 1999.

Bones: An Irene Kelly Mystery
RC 50393
by Jan Burke
read by Catherine Byers
3 cassettes
Four years ago, reporter Irene Kelly was approached by teenager Gillian Sayre, whose mother was missing. Now Kelly is part of a group traveling with suspected serial killer Nick Parrish to find Mrs. Sayre's grave—and Parrish has a plan to escape. Violence and strong language. 1999.

Dragonshadow RC 50394
by Barbara Hambly
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Although Jenny Waynest returned to human form and married Lord John Aversin at the end of *Dragonsbane (RC 26667)*, she retained some magical powers. Those abilities prove useful when dragons begin stalking the homeland—first an illusionary dragon, then a real one. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

Dead Souls: An Inspector Rebus Novel
RC 50395
by Ian Rankin
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes
Scottish inspector John Rebus is pulled in several directions: tracking a murderer deported from the United States to Edinburgh, keeping an eye on a pedophile who lives near a neighborhood playground, accepting the apparent suicide of a colleague, and searching for the son of a high school girl friend. Violence and strong language. 1999.

Tom Clancy's Net Force: Night Moves
RC 50399
by Tom Clancy and Steve Pieczenik
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
April 2011. A train is derailed in Pakistan, a Union Jack appears on computer screens universally, and computer experts—including a Net Force agent—are suffering strokes. A British scientist and a Russian operative may be the culprits. Sequel to Tom Clancy's *Net Force: Hidden Agendas (RC 49476)*. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2000.

Lefty Carmichael Has a Fit RC 50407
by Don Trembath
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Fifteen-year-old Lefty suffers a seizure and learns he has epilepsy. If he remembers to take his medication, Lefty can probably stop the convulsions, but he remains anxious, feels odd from the drug, and doesn't like people knowing about his condition. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

Caterina RC 50413
by Jane Aiken Hodge
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Whispering (RC 41728)*, it is now 1832, and Dom Pedro has returned from Brazil to help his daughter, Maria da Gloria, claim her position as queen of Portugal. He is aided by Caterina Fonsa, who is creating political cartoons to advance his cause. 1999.

To Catch a Star / Alcanzar una Estrella RC 50414
by Ivette González
read by various narrators
2 cassettes
Mario Santana se escapó de Cuba para realizar sus sueños. Definitivamente, ser el chófer de Marta Alvarez, una actriz bella, rica y temperamental, no es uno de esos sueños. Pero Mario pronto descubre que hay mucho más con Marta de lo que nadie sospecha. Novela romántica bilingüe en inglés y español. (Mario Santana fled Cuba to seek out a better life. However, working as chauffeur to rich, temperamental actress Marta Alvarez is not exactly his idea of the American dream. But he finds there is more to Marta than he first realized. Bilingual romance. English/Spanish language. 1999.)

Shiva 3000 RC 50419
by Jan Lars Jensen
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
In a future India, Rakesh, a young Hindu, is following his dharma—to kill the Baboon Warrior who, revered as a hero, must be destroyed for ravishing Rakesh's intended bride, a princess. Rakesh is accompanied on his journey by Vasant, who has a different mission. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 1999.

Death Train to Boston: A Fremont Jones Mystery RC 50421
by Dianne Day
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
Partners and lovers Fremont Jones and Michael Kossoff are investigating railroad vandalism, when the train they are riding is dynamited, injuring both. Fremont is abducted by a Mormon, who decides to make her his next wife. Michael struggles to rescue her while eluding the bomber. Some violence. 1999.

The Gown of Glory RC 50427
by Agnes Sligh Turnbull
read by Colleen Delany
3 cassettes (Reissue)
In 1881, newly wedded minister David Lyall and his wife, Mary, arrive in the small town of Ladykirk, Pennsylvania, expecting to stay for just a while. But twenty-five years later they are still there with three grown children, and David continues to serve as leader of the Calvinist congregation. 1951.

Shell Game RC 50499
by Carol O'Connell
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Tough New York policewoman Kathleen Mallory, last seen in *Stone Angel (RC 47622)*, is convinced that an old magician's death during a televised performance was murder rather than a horrible accident. Mallory questions the victim's fellow illusionists and focuses on one who seems to be accompanied by his long-dead wife. Violence. 1999.

Inherit the Earth RC 50508
by Brian Stableford
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
In the twenty-second century people are living hundreds of years with periodic rejuvenations. Authentically young Damon Hart learns that one of his foster fathers has been kidnapped by someone who claims Damon's famous long-dead father is still alive and that his reputation for saintliness is false. Some violence and some strong language. 1998.

Architects of Emortality RC 50509
by Brian Stableford
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Inherit the Earth (RC 50508)*, a twenty-fifth-century murderer is targeting victims who are almost two hundred years old and killing them with a genetically altered flowering plant. On the case are detective sergeant Charlotte Holmes and genetic artist Oscar Wilde. Some strong language. 1999.

Jim the Boy RC 50526
by Tony Earley
read by John Lescault
1 cassette
North Carolina, 1934. Anecdotes trace a year in the life of ten-year-old Jim Glass, who lives with his widowed mother near her three bachelor brothers. Follows Jim as he views the ocean for the first time, celebrates the town's electrification, and sees his best friend contract polio. 2000.

The Burning Bride RC 50538
by Margaret Lawrence
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Maine, 1786. In this sequel to *Blood Red Roses (RC 46974)* midwife Hannah Trevor is reluctantly marrying Daniel Josselyn, father of her deaf daughter and their unborn child. Amidst a rebellion by bankrupt, overtaxed farmers, Daniel is accused of murder. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 1998.

Unforgotten RC 50576
by D.J. Meador
read by Jeremy Gage
3 cassettes
When sixty-three-year-old attorney and decorated Korean War veteran John Winston is nominated for a federal judgeship, he does not expect an incident from his combat days to surface. But Winston harbors a dark secret that someone exposes to jeopardize his reputation as well as his career. Some violence. 1999.

Black Alley RC 50584
by Mickey Spillane
read by Don Feldheim
2 cassettes
The murder of one of Mike Hammer's army buddies sends him, the mob, and the FBI looking for a stash of eighty-nine billion dollars reportedly hidden by him before his demise. Mike's own recent return from death's door also leads him to propose to Velda, his longtime secretary. Some violence. 1996.

The Toughest Indian in the World RC 50590
by Sherman Alexie
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Nine short stories exploring the concept of Native American identity. In the title piece—originally appearing in the *New Yorker*—a Spokane Indian journalist adopts his father's practice of picking up Indian hitchhikers but carries the tradition farther than intended. 2000.

The Brass Dolphin RC 50595
by Joanna Trollope
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
1938. When naive twenty-year-old Lila Cunningham and her impoverished father lose their home in England, she accepts the offer of an abandoned house on Malta. Lila begins a difficult readjustment, but it is the brutal German bombing campaign and its aftermath

that finally bring her to a point of real self-discovery. 1997.

Thunderwoman: A Mythic Novel of the Pueblos RC 50604
by Nancy Wood
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
In this allegory blending history and mythology, generations of Pueblo Indians portray life from their creation and prehistory through the mid-twentieth century. Bloody massacres follow the arrival of Spanish conquistadores and others. Cultural crises escalate, culminating in the 1947 atomic bomb tests in the desert. For senior high and older readers. 1999.

Three Hands in the Fountain RC 50618
by Lindsey Davis
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Rome, A.D. 73. Private investigator Marcus Didius Falco and his wife and newborn are recently home from Spain when Falco discovers a woman's severed hand in a fountain. When two more hands are found after large festivals, a serial killer is suspected of polluting the city's water supply. Sequel to *A Dying Light in Corduba (RC 47471)*. Some violence. 1996.

Ride South to Purgatory: A Western Story RC 50623
by James C. Work
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Pasque Pendragon works on his uncle's ranch while planning to avenge his brothers' murders at the hands of rustlers. But after agreeing to duel a stranger, Pasque spends a year on another quest. Along the way he has a change of heart and finds love. Some violence. 1999.

Deep South RC 50627
by Nevada Barr
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Park Ranger Anna Pigeon accepts a promotion to supervise the Natchez Trace Parkway in Mississippi, but on her arrival immediately regrets the decision. Soon a teenage girl is murdered and Anna faces danger from the suspects, including a group of Civil War reenactors. Some violence and some strong language. 2000.

The Kill Box RC 50630
by Chris Stewart
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
On a return flight from the Middle East, *Air Force One* crashes, killing all aboard including the vice president. When investigators find lethal biological agents in the wreckage, Captain Charlie McKay leads a retaliatory air strike force to Iraq in an attempt to avert another terrorist disaster. Violence. 1998.

The Climate of the Country RC 50639
by Marnie Mueller
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
1940s. Denton Jordan, a conscientious objector, and his Jewish wife, Esther, live at the Tule Lake Relocation Camp for Japanese in northern California. Trouble brews both within the camp and in their marriage, escalating until life-alterating choices are made. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 1999.

To Visit the Queen RC 50654
by Diane Duane
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Book of Night with Moon (RC 47393)*, feline wizards Rhiow, Arhu, and Urruah are sent into the London underground to foil a plot by the evil Lone Power, who plans to assassinate Queen Victoria and start a nuclear war. For senior high and older readers. 1999.

In Legend Born RC 50667
by Laura Resnick
read by Richard Hauenstein
5 cassettes
The Silerians have been oppressed by the Valdani for centuries, but now a peasant begins fighting back with the help of a recently returned Silerian soldier. However, the warrior has another powerful enemy: the magical waterlord society, which has long sought his head. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Chains of Command RC 50674
by William J. Caunitz
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
Deputy police commissioner Suzanne Albrecht, hoping for a promotion, enlists the help of her former lover, Lieutenant Matt Stuart, to investigate crooked cops who might stall her career. Matt's probe uncovers police links to the Dominican and Colombian drug gangs as well as Mafia connections. Violence and strong language. 1999.

Transfer of Power RC 50675
by Vince Flynn
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
The CIA learns that foreign terrorists intend to assault the White House imminently. The Secret Service has only seconds to usher the president into his bunker, leaving others to be taken hostage. As officials dither, a CIA counterterrorism operative mounts a rescue. Some violence and some strong language. 1999.

Darwin's Radio RC 50676
by Greg Bear
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Disgraced archaeologist Mitch Rafelson, geneticist Kaye Lang, and government epidemiologist Christopher Dicken are embroiled in researching a miscarriage-producing virus named SHEVA, which spontaneously generates replacement pregnancies of new evolutionary humans. The ensuing panic spreads worldwide. Then Kaye becomes pregnant. 1999.

Hart's War RC 50677
by John Katzenbach
read by Jack Fox
4 cassettes
Stalag Luft Thirteen, 1944. Former Harvard law student Tommy Hart is ordered to represent fellow prisoner of war Lincoln Scott, a Tuskegee airman who is accused of murdering a bigoted American captain. Hart soon realizes that he and his client are victims of a frame-up. Strong language and some violence. 1999.

The Pleasing Hour RC 50685
by Lily King
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Rosie, a nineteen-year-old American, becomes an au pair with a wealthy Parisian family to escape her grief over having given up her baby to her barren

sister. In her vulnerability, Rosie becomes attached to her young charges and more especially to their father. Some descriptions of sex. 1999.

Treasure Box RC 50686
by Orson Scott Card
read by Chris Parente
2 cassettes
Reclusive, thirty-four-year-old Quentin Fears first falls in love when he meets Madeline Cryer, who reminds him of his dead sister Lizzy. The uncanniness builds as Madeline mysteriously disappears after Quentin refuses to open a box that supposedly contains her inheritance. But then he lifts the lid . . . 1996.

The Group RC 50691
by Mary McCarthy
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Relates the lives of eight Vassar College friends from Kay Strong's wedding in 1933, one week after commencement, to her funeral seven years later. Describes the young women's transitions from college living to the practicalities of sex, marriage, motherhood, and careers. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 1963.

Jitterbug: A Novel of Detroit RC 50696
by Loren D. Estleman
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Detroit, 1943. A serial killer is roaming the city murdering people suspected of hoarding ration coupons. Lieutenant Max Zagreb uses all the methods available—legal and illegal—to track down the culprit. Meanwhile, police contend with growing racial unrest that explodes into a race riot. Violence and strong language. 1998.

A Deepness in the Sky RC 50698
by Vernor Vinge
read by Gary Tipton
5 cassettes
Thirty thousand years before the events in *A Fire upon the Deep (RC 35758)* the human starfleets Qeng Ho and Emergents head toward the planet Arachna to await the dormant Spider's awakening. While Qeng Ho's intentions are good, those of Emergents are sinister. Some violence and some strong language. 1999.

Fairy and Folk Tales of Ireland RC 50702
edited by W.B. Yeats
read by Terry Donnelly
3 cassettes
A collection of folk tales, songs, poems, and legends gathered by Yeats and first published separately as *Fairy and Folk Tales of the Irish Peasantry in 1888* and *Irish Fairy Tales in 1892*. The cast of characters includes fairies, leprechauns, pookas, ghosts, witches, giants, and royalty. 1973.

What the Body Remembers RC 50703
by Shauna Singh Baldwin
read by Yolande Bavan
4 cassettes
Toward the end of the Raj in India, wealthy Sikh landowner Sardarji takes a young bride in hopes of fathering the children his first wife has been unable to provide. As political tensions over the imminent partition build, the two women vie for Sardarji's heart. Some descriptions of sex. 1999.

The Promised Land RC 50706
by Ruhama Veltfort
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Recurring visions of persecution cause a

rabbi's son and his wife to flee their shtetl near Cracow, Poland, for America in the mid-1800s. Guided by his dreams, Yitzhak and his family join the perilous trek to California. A story of faith, love, and survival in a new land. 1998.

A Child's Christmas RC 50739
by Eva Rutland
read by Chris Parente
2 cassettes
Eric Archer, ten, attends boarding school because his father is too busy to care for him. Eric's uncle, who lives nearby, is supposed to keep an eye on him but seems to forget—until the school counselor calls. Before long, Eric is at the center of an expanding circle of love and friendship. 1997.

In the Family Way: An Urban Comedy RC 50741
by Lynne Sharon Schwartz
read by Sharon Murray
3 cassettes
Tenants of a New York apartment owned by aging Anna include her daughters, Bea and May; Bea's first husband, Roy; and Roy's second wife, Serena, now May's lover. When Roy reluctantly agrees to impregnate Serena, two other members of the convoluted family also become pregnant. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.

A Bitter Feast RC 50745
by S.J. Rozan
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Chinese American private investigator Lydia Chin is hired to find four missing restaurant workers in New York's Chinatown. With the help of her partner, Bill Smith, and police detective Mary Kee, she uncovers a world of illegal immigrants, drug smuggling, and conflicts between the Cantonese and Fukienese. Some violence. 1998.

Those Bones Are Not My Child RC 50748
by Toni Cade Bambara
read by Jill Fox
6 cassettes
Based on the true story of the abduction and murder of more than forty children, mostly black males under fifteen, in Atlanta in the 1980s. Centered on the fictitious Spencer family's agonizing search for their missing child, the novel reaches into every corner of Atlanta society. Published four years after Bambara's death. 1999.

Tom Clancy's Op-Center: Divide and Conquer RC 50767
by Jeff Rovin
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Op-Center director Paul Hood is newly separated from his wife, but he has no time to worry about the effect on his children. Traitors within the State Department are attempting to convince the president that he is mentally unstable, and a takeover is almost within their grasp. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Fierce Invalids Home from Hot Climates RC 50770
by Tom Robbins
read by Jim Zeiger
4 cassettes
Unorthodox CIA agent Switters incurs a shaman's curse of death if his feet touch the ground. Consequently, he uses a wheelchair for his next assignment, which includes transporting gas masks to the Kurds and falling in love

with a defrocked nun in Syria. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2000.

When We Were Wolves: Stories
RC 50774
by Jon Billman
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Stories depicting colorful and independent people of Wyoming, including smoke jumpers, small-town Mormons, and an eccentric artist who delights in taunting the local conservatives. In "Custer Complex," a government computer dispatches a U.S. Forest Service firefighter to a remote fire that burned out two years ago. Some strong language. 1999.

Aftershocks RC 50783
by Richard S. Wheeler
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
San Francisco, 1906. Survivors cope with the fiery aftermath of a catastrophic earthquake in different ways. Architect Harrison White is chiefly concerned with his buildings; Katharine Steinmetz photographs the city for posterity; missionary Ginger Severance works to save souls; and the army sets about making matters worse. Some violence. 1999.

Windward Heights RC 50801
by Maryse Condé
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Caribbean novelist Condé has transposed the tale of *Wuthering Heights* to her native Guadeloupe. Razyé, taken in and raised by Hubert Gagneur, falls in love with Gagneur's daughter, Cathy. Unhappy with his treatment there, Razyé flees to Cuba. But when Cathy marries a wealthy Creole, Razyé returns to avenge his loss. 1998.

Sartoris RC 50802
by William Faulkner
read by Nick Sullivan
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Sartoris returns to Jefferson, Mississippi, after his brother's death in World War I. Desolated by this and the loss of his wife and infant son, he becomes reckless and wild. 1929.

Before You Sleep RC 50816
by Linn Ullmann
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Waiting for an overdue update on her sister's attempt to reconcile with her husband, Karin recounts the story of three generations of their Norwegian family and its eccentric women. The setting is Oslo and New York, and Karin's humorous fantasy life colors the telling. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1999.

The Silk Code RC 50829
by Paul Levinson
read by Richard Davidson
2 cassettes
NYPD detective Phil D'Amato, in Pennsylvania's Amish country, investigates a mysterious death, apparently related to contact with a bioengineered food. D'Amato's search leads back in time to Basques pondering murders in eighth-century Europe, recollections of early Chinese efforts to control the silk industry, and evidence that pre-human populations survived alongside civilization. Strong language. 1999.

Winter Solstice RC 50844
by Rosamunde Pilcher
read by Vanessa Maroney
4 cassettes
Elfrida, a retired actress; Oscar, a recent widower; Carrie, recovering from a love affair; Lucy, Carrie's niece; and Sam, deserted by his wife, spend the winter solstice in a Scottish cottage, where they form a lasting bond that allows them to recover from their various challenges and losses. Bestseller 2000.

Dust to Dust RC 50847
by Tami Hoag
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
When Minneapolis Internal Affairs gay cop Andy Fallon is found hanging naked from a noose, detective Sam Kovac and his partner Nikki Liska think it's murder. They review Andy's investigations, including an old case involving his policeman father. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2000.

The Blind Assassin RC 50848
by Margaret Atwood
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
This convoluted tale of two sisters begins with the questionable circumstances of the 1945 death of the younger, Laura, at twenty-five. A memoir by Iris, the surviving and now elderly sister, recalls what led up to the tragic event. Interspersed is a novel-within-a-novel, Laura's posthumously published book. Bestseller 2000.

The Switch RC 50852
by Sandra Brown
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
The day she is artificially inseminated, Gillian Lloyd switches places with her identical twin, Melina, acts as escort for Native American astronaut Christopher Hart, and is murdered. As they investigate the evangelist behind the killing, Melina and Hart become targets too. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 2000.

Buried Evidence RC 50853
by Nancy Taylor Rosenberg
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
The rapist who attacked prosecutor Lily Forrester and her daughter in *Mitigating Circumstances (RC 35901)* is out on parole and looking for them. Meanwhile, Lily's alcoholic ex-husband tries to escape a manslaughter charge by implicating Lily in a long-ago murder. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2000.

Stalker RC 50858
by Faye Kellerman
read by Richard Davidson
3 cassettes
Detective Peter Decker's outspoken Ivy League-educated daughter Cindy joins the LAPD, but has trouble fitting in with the blue-collar work force. During a rash of serial carjackings, Cindy realizes she is being stalked and suspects the danger comes from within the department. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Lethal Seduction RC 50871
by Jackie Collins
read by Ann Hodapp
3 cassettes
Magazine writer Madison Castelli discovers that her father is a hit man for the mob and becomes suspicious about her stepmother's recent death. Meanwhile, Madison's best friend, Jamie, is divorcing her bisexual husband and meets kinky playboy Joel Blaine in Las Vegas. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 2000.

The Last Precinct RC 50875
by Patricia Cornwell
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Black Notice (RC 48767)*, Dr. Kay Scarpetta has escaped death from the serial killer "werewolf" and continues investigating crimes committed by his French syndicate. But then the doctor herself faces a murder accusation. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2000.

When We Were Orphans RC 50876
by Kazuo Ishiguro
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
After Cambridge, the observant but self-delusional Christopher Banks becomes a private detective, fulfilling a childhood ambition. His successful career leads him back to his boyhood home of Shanghai during the Sino-Japanese War in 1937. He feels confident he will find his parents, who disappeared there years before. Bestseller 2000.

The Sky Is Falling RC 50877
by Sidney Sheldon
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Anchorwoman Dana Evans becomes suspicious when five members of a prominent family die violently within a year. Her investigation begins with patriarch Taylor Winthrop, ex-ambassador to Russia. Privately, Evans experiences problems with the Serbian orphan she has adopted and with her wandering fiancé. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

The Rescue RC 50879
by Nicholas Sparks
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Single mom Denise is struggling to raise her young son, Kyle, who has an auditory processing problem. After a car accident during a storm, Kyle disappears and is later found by volunteer fireman Taylor, who becomes part of their lives. But a past tragedy prevents commitment. Some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Now and Always/Para Siempre RC 50884
by Caridad Scordato
read by María Pino
3 cassettes
El médico ortopédico Víctor Cienfuegos cree que Carmen González es demasiado joven para servirle como nueva recepcionista. Pero Carmen pronto prueba que sirve muy bien, cuando le presenta a su hermana mayor, Connie, a Víctor. Connie resulta ser un agente del FBI que al sufrir un brazo quebrado recibe tratamiento médico de Víctor, y acaba enamorándose de él. Lenguaje injurioso y descripciones de índole sex-

ual. (Orthopedic surgeon Victor Cienfuegos believes the temporary receptionist sent to his office is too young to be any good. But Carmen Gonzalez quickly proves valuable, especially when her FBI agent sister, Connie, suffers a broken arm and steals Victor's heart. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.)

Liar's Game RC 50892
by Eric Jerome Dickey
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Dana leaves New York for a fresh start in Los Angeles. She meets Vince, whose ex-wife is refusing to let him see his daughter. Both Dana and Vince fear long-term commitment and jeopardize their relationship by hiding details about the past. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

The Right Hand of Evil RC 50896
by John Saul
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
As alcoholic Ted Conway loses another job, his long-institutionalized aunt dies, leaving him an old house in a Louisiana town. The Conways soon learn of the dwelling's evil reputation and begin experiencing the horrors Ted's ancestors tried to escape. Violence, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some strong language. Bestseller 1999.

Midnight in Ruby Bayou RC 50899
by Elizabeth Lowell
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Jewelry designer Faith Donovan has been asked to create a ruby necklace as a friend's wedding gift. But the Russian Mafia covets the gems, and family friend Owen Walker becomes Faith's bodyguard. Sequel to *Pearl Cove (RC 48619)*. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 2000.

Night Tales RC 50925
by Nora Roberts
read by Kristin Allison
5 cassettes
Four connected novels—*Night Shift*, *Night Shadow*, *Nightshade*, and *Night Smoke*—feature a cast of related characters who enter passionate relationships while investigating dangerous crimes. Explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Bestseller 1994.

Night Shield RC 50926
by Nora Roberts
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Night Tales (RC 50925)* Denver police commissioner Boyd Fletcher pairs his detective daughter, Ally, with club owner Jonah Blackhawk, whom Boyd saved from a life of crime years ago. Romance complicates their investigation of burglaries involving Blackhawk's club. Explicit descriptions of sex, strong language, and some violence. Bestseller 2000.

Lightning Strikes: The Hudson Family Series, Volume 2 RC 50929
by V.C. Andrews
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Rain (RC 50028)* eighteen-year-old Rain Arnold is in England studying acting while she works as an au pair at her great aunt Lenora Endfield's austere home. Rain soon makes a horrifying discovery about a cottage on the estate. Some explicit de-

scriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Heartbreaker RC 50933
by Julie Garwood
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
In the confessional the homicidal "Heartbreaker" informs Father Tommy Madden of his intent to kill the priest's sister, Laurant. Tommy seeks the help of his old friend, FBI agent Nicholas Buchanan, who soon has several reasons for protecting Laurant. Violence, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Mr. Perfect RC 50936
by Linda Howard
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Jaine and three coworkers jokingly create a list of requirements for the ideal man. When the list goes public, someone secretly vows to kill the listmakers. Meanwhile, Jaine goes from hating her new neighbor to thinking he's "Mr. Perfect." Explicit descriptions of sex, strong language, and some violence. Bestseller 2000.

Blue Gold: A Novel from the NUMA Files RC 50937
by Clive Cussler
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
When National Underwater and Marine Agency (NUMA) investigators Kurt Austin and Joe Zavala hit a pod of dead whales during a boat race, it sets off an inquiry that leads to an eco-extortionist's plot to control the world's freshwater supply. Some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Move to Strike RC 50940
by Perri O'Shaughnessy
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
While teenage Nicole Zack is robbing the uncle who cheated her mother, she witnesses his murder and becomes the prime suspect. Recently widowed attorney Nina Reilly takes her case, while investigator Paul Van Wagoner examines the coincidence of the death that same night of the murdered man's son. Strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Eric: A Discworld Novel RC 50953
by Terry Pratchett
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Eric, fourteen, is an inept sorcerer with three aspirations: to be immortal, to rule the world, and to have a beautiful girl love him. Hoping to have his desires granted, Eric conjures up the wizard Rincewind and soon wishes he had never been born. For senior high and older readers. 1990.

A Knight of the Word RC 50963
by Terry Brooks
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Running with the Demon (RC 46826)*, John Ross seeks relief from his constant missions by renouncing his role as a Knight of the Word. It is up to college coed Nest Freemark, whom Ross once helped, to keep him focused on assisting others. 1998.

The Good Old Stuff: Thirteen Early Stories RC 50967
by John D. MacDonald
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Thirteen pulp magazine stories published between 1947 and 1952 by the

author of the Travis McGee mystery series. All involve revenge, disappearance, adventure, or homicide. In "Murder for Money" adult siblings suspect their young stepmother of killing their rich—but unloved—father. Some violence. 1952.

Hatchet Job: A Carl Wilcox Mystery RC 51007
by Harold Adams
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
Detective Carl Wilcox is called in to investigate the murder of Mustard's town cop, Lou Dupree, who "died of overexposure to an ax." Lou had plenty of enemies because of his numerous affairs with married women, but who hated him enough to commit such a brutal murder? Some strong language. 1996.

The Guest List RC 51010
by Fern Michaels
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
After their parents died mysteriously, young Abby and Mallory Evans were adopted by their uncle. Shortly afterward, Mallory was institutionalized because of her behavior. Now as adults, the sisters are reunited—but someone wants the past kept hidden. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Pigtown RC 51014
by William J. Caunitz
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
When the corpse of Brooklyn mobster Beansy Rutolo turns up, detective Matthew Stuart takes the case for personal reasons. Beansy was known to have sources in the department, and Stuart encounters mortal danger as he uncovers a web of official corruption. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. 1995.

Ilse Witch: The Voyage of the Jerle Shannara, Book 1 RC 51015
by Terry Brooks
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
In this first book of a new Shannara saga, a mortally wounded elf is found carrying two items—a bracelet and a mysterious map. Only Walker Boh can decipher the chart, and he must do so before the Ilse Witch steals it. Some violence. Bestseller 2000.

Exit to Eden RC 51017
by Anne Rampling
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Lisa works at The Club, which she helped create—the grandest exotic sex club in the world. Sex slaves are chosen at auctions and paid $100,000 for a two-year stint of fulfilling the sado-masochistic fantasies of The Club's guests. Lisa has a female slave herself. After a brush with death, photographer Elliott gives in to his own fantasies and signs on as a club slave. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller 1985.

Gilded Dreams RC 51018
by Kristy Daniels
read by Mitzi Friedlander
4 cassettes
When a blizzard hits New York City in the late 1800s, the courageous act of Jonathan Caras, a young journalist, sets in motion his move to Paris and the development of a love triangle that includes the owner of the newspaper for which Jonathan works and an aspiring ballet dancer. Some strong language

and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Running from the Law RC 51020
by Lisa Scottoline
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Although she suspects her live-in lover is having an affair, Philadelphia attorney Rita Morrone agrees to defend his father, a federal judge, in a sexual harassment case brought by a former secretary. Deposing her, Rita realizes the two were having an affair. When the woman is killed that night, Rita must decide whether to defend the judge against a murder charge. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Plumed Serpent RC 51021
by Annabel Murray
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
When Josslyn Ransome leaves England for Mexico to compile a sketchbook in honor of her late explorer father, she does not expect to have chauvinistic, young Juan de Grijalva as her guide. Nor does she expect to fall in love with him. Descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1986.

Mrs. Pargeter's Point of Honour RC 51023
by Simon Brett
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
Mrs. Pargeter plans to secretly return the "hot" paintings that the widowed Veronica Chastaigne wants to give back before her demise. Recruiting her late husband's old cronies for the task, Mrs. Pargeter eludes Detective Wilkinson and Sergeant Hughes only to discover that the old masters have been stolen—again. Some violence. 1998.

Chain of Evidence RC 51024
by Ridley Pearson
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Three years ago Hartford police detective Joe Dartelli (Dart) investigated the suicide of a sex offender. Now that there is a rash of similar deaths, Dart's suspicions about the first one resurface. Someone is killing these men and planting evidence to make them appear as suicides, and Dart is fairly certain the culprit is his mentor, forensics specialist Walter Zeller. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Shallow Grave: Inspector Bill Slider Mystery RC 51026
by Cynthia Harrod-Eagles
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Detective Inspector Bill Slider and his partner, Jim Atherton, investigate the death of Jennifer Andrews. Because her body was found in a trench on a posh West London property that her contractor husband Eddie was hired to repair, Eddie seems an obvious suspect. Some strong language. 1998.

Thunder City: A Novel of Detroit RC 51032
by Loren D. Estleman
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Detroit, 1900s. Henry Ford is showing great promise on his third attempt to start an automobile plant. But Harlan Crownover can't convince his coach-making family to invest in the new technology, so he turns for help to "Boss" Jim Dolan and Sicilian gangster Sal

Borneo. Chronologically the first in Estleman's Detroit series. Some violence. 1999.

The Man Who Was Taller than God: A Carl Wilcox Mystery RC 51037
by Harold Adams
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
South Dakota, 1930s. Itinerant painter Carl Wilcox is hired by the mayor of a small town to investigate the murder of Felton Edwards, a womanizing schemer who had returned to his hometown unexpectedly. Wilcox encounters nubile housewives and another murder before he finds his suspects. Some violence. 1992.

A House Divided RC 51038
by Catherine Cookson
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Blinded in World War II, twenty-nine-year-old Matthew Wallingham is having trouble adjusting to his disability. Compassionate young nurse Elizabeth Ducksworth helps him face his fears and eventually steals his heart. But both bring family problems to their relationship. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1999.

The Devil's Code RC 51046
by John Sandford
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Kidd and his associate and lover, LuEllen, investigate the death of a member of their computer hacking group. Kidd was last seen in *The Empress File (RC 36590)* and *The Fool's Run (RC 30857)*, which appeared under the author's real name, John Camp. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2000.

Journey RC 51051
by Danielle Steel
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
In her fiftieth novel, Steel explores the secrets of Washington, D.C., anchorwoman Madeleine Hunter and her husband, Jack, head of the network. Publicly they appear happy, but Madeleine must face reality when she works on the first lady's Commission on Violence against Women. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 2000.

Wilderness RC 51060
by Robert B. Parker
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
While out jogging, suspense writer Aaron Newman witnesses a murder and notifies the police. When the suspect, psychopath Adolph Karl, threatens Newman's family, Aaron, his wife, and army buddy decide that their only chance is to eliminate Karl and his gang. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1979.

Aunt Dimity's Christmas RC 51061
by Nancy Atherton
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Aunt Dimity Digs In (RC 48173)* and others, a homeless man collapses outside of Lori Shepherd's English cottage. While he's hospitalized in a coma, Lori is encouraged by her late aunt's spirit to search for his identity and for the reason he arrived at her door. 1999.

A Wizard in Midgard: The Rogue Wizard, Book 6 RC 51064
by Christopher Stasheff
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Using the name Gar Pike, Magnus d'Armand continues his mission to bring justice to oppressed people. In Midgard, where giants and dwarfs are brutally ruled by the normal-size people, Gar meets Alea Larsdatter, an orphan slave with telepathic potential. Sequel to *A Wizard in Chaos (RC 48804)*. Some violence. 1998.

Freedom's Altar RC 51065
by Charles F. Price
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *Hiwassee (RC 44371)* emancipated slave Daniel McFee returns to the mountains of Tennessee to sharecrop. He is welcomed back by his former master, Judge Madison Curtis, and his clan. But there is trouble with bushwhackers, the militia, freedmen, and the defeated. Some violence and some strong language. 1999.

Cat on the Scent RC 51066
by Rita Mae Brown and
Sneaky Pie Brown
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Postmistress Mary "Harry" Haristeen with her cats, Mrs. Murphy and Pewter, and corgi Tee Tucker investigate the shooting of a local man during a Civil War reenactment. The event leads to the discovery of drug dealing, adultery, and a missing airplane in sleepy Crozet, Virginia. Some violence. 1999.

The Queen of Attolia RC 51067
by Megan Whalen Turner
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Thief (RC 47183)*, the Queen of Attolia captures Eugenides, the official thief of Eddis. Although her severe punishment nearly breaks his spirit, he continues to love her throughout the ensuing political and military intrigues. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

The Far Shore of Time RC 51068
by Frederik Pohl
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
This sequel to *The Siege of Eternity (RC 49289)* concludes a trilogy about the near-future Earth caught in conflict between two alien races. As the story begins, the original Dan Dannerman's situation looks bleak—his clones have escaped and he is under interrogation by the horrible Horch. Some strong language. 1999.

So Sure of Death: A Liam Campbell Mystery RC 51069
by Dana Stabenow
read by Nanette Savard
2 cassettes
Alaska state trooper Liam Campbell from *Fire and Ice (RC 50187)* is investigating the murder of a family aboard their boat, when his lady love discovers the body of an archaeologist. Meanwhile, Liam's father arrives at Chinook Air Force Base. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1999.

Newton Forster; or, The Merchant Service RC 51071
by Frederick Marryat
read by David Cutler
3 cassettes
Young Newton Forster is impressed into the Royal Navy and endures sea battles, shipwrecks, and imprisonment before finding his niche with the British East India Company. He also discovers true love—but at the risk of losing an inheritance. Some violence. 1832.

The King's Own RC 51072
by Frederick Marryat
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
William Seymour is raised—and orphaned—on a British navy ship, anointed a midshipman at an early age, and later impressed to help crew a smuggler. He comes to engage in battle with the French during a hurricane and to fall in love with an heiress. Some violence. 1830.

Random Hearts RC 51077
by Warren Adler
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes (Reissue)
When Edward Davis and Vivien Simpson are informed that their respective spouses died together in a plane crash, they realize the two were having an affair. Shocked and hurt, the survivors turn to each other while they piece together the betrayal. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1984.

Dead Souls RC 51078
by Nikolai Gogol
read by Annie Wauters
4 cassettes
Pavel Ivanovich Chichikov travels across the Russian countryside with a money-making scheme to buy up "dead souls" —deceased serfs still on the tax roll until the next census. When he is eventually arrested, his lawyer mounts an unusual defense. A satire originally published in 1842, newly translated by Richard Pevear and Larissa Volokhonsky. 1996.

Mail RC 51083
by Mameve Medwed
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Fiction writer Katinka O'Toole, once briefly married to her Joyce professor, is now lusting after the mailman, Louie, who brings her rejection slips. Things improve when Louie brings a check from Playgirl, they begin an affair, and her incapacitated ex-husband lets her teach his writing class. Some descriptions of sex. 1997.

Fail-Safe RC 51094
by Eugene Burdick and Harvey Wheeler
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Cold War suspense classic. Through an unforeseen mechanical error, bombers armed with nuclear weapons have been dispatched to destroy Moscow and are now beyond recall. A White House translator becomes an unwilling witness to the crisis as the U.S. president and the Soviet premier enter frantic negotiations to avert global catastrophe. 1962.

Lost Horizon RC 51095
by James Hilton
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Classic utopian adventure fantasy. One of four Western passengers abducted during an airplane hijacking from Baskul, Hugh Conway, recounts the group's sojourn at the mysterious

lamasery of Shangri-La in the mountains of Tibet. Hugh describes Shangri-La's unusual inhabitants and their quest, and the feelings of peace and contentment he enjoyed there. 1933.

White Magic RC 51097
by Faith Baldwin
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Various groups of people converge on a ski lodge in Sun Valley. Included are a self-made man with his secretary, an heiress with a German nobleman and his brother—both ski instructors—and several troublemaking businessmen. When they finally sort out their feelings, some newly engaged couples emerge. 1939.

Four Blondes RC 51128
by Candace Bushnell
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Four loosely connected tales featuring dissatisfied New York women seeking status and fame. In "Nice N'Easy" a shallow model uses men for their money, while in "Single Process" a writer finagles an assignment in London in hopes of finding a husband. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2000.

Angel Fire East RC 51171
by Terry Brooks
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
John Ross continues his mission to defeat the Void and save the world's future. Ross's hope lies in the recent birth of a gypsy morph and in having the support of Nest Freemark, a woman with magical powers. Sequel to *A Knight of the Word (RC 50963)*. 1999.

Wish You Well RC 51202
by David Baldacci
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
In 1940 a happy family outing turns to tragedy when their car overturns, killing the father and leaving the mother incapacitated. The two children, Lou and Oz, take her to great-grandmother Louisa's rural Virginia home, where the New York City kids face difficult adjustments. Some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Miss Darby's Duenna RC 51211
by Sherri Cobb South
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Sir Harry Hawthorne is engaged to his neighbor Olivia Darby but does not realize that he's in love until a disreputable rake pursues her during her London debut. Consumed by jealousy, Harry decides to keep a closer eye on his fiancée—so he impersonates his own grandmother. 1999.

The Exchange Student RC 51212
by Kate Gilmore
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
2094. Daria, sixteen, is a licensed breeder of endangered species. Her family is hosting Fen, a seven-foot alien from Chela, where there have been no animals for centuries. Daria hopes Fen will share her interest in animals, and Fen does—but for a very special reason. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

Fasting, Feasting RC 51278
by Anita Desai
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Through details about the daily rituals of meals, the lives of two families, in In-

dia and America, are revealed. Part one focuses on the blighted life of Uma, a prisoner of her Indian family's conventions; part two deals with the experiences of her brother Arun among well-to-do New England suburbanites. 1999.

Dreamcatcher RC 51542
by Stephen King
read by Gregory Gorton
4 cassettes
Four friends have hunted together for twenty-five years. This trip, however, is interrupted by an intruder's rambling about lights in the sky. Patterned like a Native American talisman, the dreamcatcher phenomenon must be summoned for the men to fight alien and natural horrors. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 2001.

On the Street Where You Live
RC 51647
by Mary Higgins Clark
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Because lawyer Emily Graham is being stalked, she changes jobs and moves to New Jersey. She buys the house that once belonged to her great-great-grandaunt Madeline Shapley, whose skeleton turns up in Emily's back yard. Suddenly Emily finds herself being followed again. Some violence. Bestseller 2001.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Girls Who Rocked the World: Heroines from Sacagawea to Sheryl Swoopes
RC 48285
by Amelie Welden
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Biographical sketches of thirty-three young women around the world describe their impressive achievements before the age of twenty. Presented in chronological order from Cleopatra, ruler of ancient Egypt, to Martina Hingis, tennis champion of the 1990s. For grades 4-7. 1998.

This Same Sky: A Collection of Poems from around the World RC 48296
compiled by Naomi Shihab Nye
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Anthology of pieces by 129 poets from sixty-eight countries other than the United States. The poems express a universal spirit through themes including dreams, families, nature, loss, and human mysteries. For grades 5-8. 1992.

Sing Me a Story: The Metropolitan Opera's Book of Opera Stories for Children RC 49694
by Jane Rosenberg
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
Retellings of fifteen operas to introduce the basic story lines. Divided into acts, the stories include dialog and refer to specific musical passages. Presents *Aida*, *Amahl and the Night Visitors*, *Die Fledermaus*, *Hansel and Gretel*, *The Magic Flute*, and *The Tales of Hoffmann*, among others. For grades 5-8. 1989.

Science Projects about Plants RC 50237
by Robert Gardner
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Provides instructions for more than thirty experiments involving plant physiology, reproduction, and growth. Projects include growing grass on a turntable, removing the root tip from a seedling, and raising plants in a hydroponic solution. For grades 6-9. 1999.

The World of King Arthur and His Court: People, Places, Legend, and Lore RC 50307
by Kevin Crossley-Holland
read by David Cutler
1 cassette
Collection of articles about the mythology of King Arthur, including an account of Geoffrey of Monmouth, who first created the legend. Describes the real lives of knights and their duties, and discusses the Crusades, the Round Table, and heraldry. Also includes tales about Camelot, Sir Lancelot, and Excalibur. For grades 5-8. 1998.

South Africa RC 50371
by Claudia Canesso
read by Lisette Lecat
1 cassette
Surveys the history, topography, people, and culture of South Africa. Includes information on the country's economy, industry, politics, and relation to the rest of the world. Features profiles of various rulers of the area, and discusses the outlawed policy of apartheid. For grades 6-9. 1999.

The Century That Was: Reflections on the Last One Hundred Years RC 50431
edited by James Cross Giblin
read by Jacinda Bronaugh
2 cassettes
A collection of eleven essays by well-known authors for young people, reflecting on various customs and events of twentieth-century America. Includes Albert Marrin on World War I; Bruce Brooks on sports; Walter Dean Myers on civil rights; Penny Colman on women's issues; and Katherine Paterson on religion. For grades 6-9. 2000.

Digging for Bird-Dinosaurs: An Expedition to Madagascar RC 50522
by Nic Bishop
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
The story of Cathy Forster's experiences as a member of a 1998 expedition of paleontologists to the island of Madagascar in search of fossil birds. Discusses the details of their field work and how their discoveries advanced the knowledge of bird evolution. For grades 4-7. 2000.

The Oxford Illustrated Book of American Children's Poems RC 50546
edited by Donald Hall
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
An anthology of American poems for children, arranged chronologically, from Native American cradle songs to colonial alphabet rhymes to contemporary pieces. The writers include Emily Dickinson, Carl Sandburg, T.S. Eliot, Ogden Nash, Langston Hughes, Dr. Seuss, Gwendolyn Brooks, Shel Silverstein, and Sandra Cisneros. For grades 2-4 and older readers. 1999.

Kuwait RC 50565
by Maria O'Shea
read by Dan Bloom
1 cassette
Describes the geography, history, government, economy, and society of Kuwait, a small country on the Persian Gulf. Discusses the Kuwaitis' languages, religious beliefs, arts, leisure activities, and diet. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1999.

Mexico RC 50591
by Leslie Jermyn
read by Jonathan Davis
1 cassette
An introduction to Mexico, the North American country that shares its northern border with the United States. Explores Mexico's geography and history, government and people, arts and leisure, and language and economics. Includes information on well-known citizens and a glossary of terms. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Fundamental Strength Training RC 50795
by Jeff Savage
read by Nick Sullivan
1 cassette
Introduces the sport of strength training, with and without weights, discussing its history, equipment, techniques, and variations. Includes information on the human muscular system and on athletes who have popularized the activity. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1998.

So You Want to Be President? RC 50856
by Judith St. George
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Offers unusual and interesting facts about the first forty-two presidents of the United States. Points out the variety of personalities and physical characteristics of these men who had at least one thing in common: "their first priority has always been the people and the country they served." For grades 3-6. Caldecott Medal. 2000.

Ricky Martin: Livin' the Crazy Life/Livin' la Vida Loca RC 50885
by Kristin Sparks
read by Maria Pino
2 cassettes
Presenta la biografía del popular cantante puertorriqueño, ganador del premio Grammy. Narra la carrera de Ricky como cantante en el joven grupo Menudo, como actor en la telenovela General Hospital y en Broadway, y como caliente cantante solista. Para grados 6 a 9 y lectores mayores. Edición bilingüe en ingés y español. (Biography of the Grammy Award-winning singer from Puerto Rico. Chronicles his career with the boy band Menudo, his acting on the soap opera General Hospital, his stint on Broadway, and his solo debut. For grades 6-9 and older readers. English/Spanish language. 1999.)

Uruguay RC 50902
by Leslie Jermyn
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
Describes the geography and history, government and economy, people and lifestyle, arts and leisure, festivals and food, as well as religion, of the smallest country in South America. For grades 5-8. 1999.

The Best of the Best in Figure Skating RC 50952
by Rachel Rutledge
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
A history of the sport of women's figure skating and brief biographies of eight leading competitors from the 1990s: Oksana Baiul, Surya Bonaly, Nancy Kerrigan, Michelle Kwan, Tara Lipinski, Chen Lu, Katarina Witt, and Kristi Yamaguchi. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Basketball: A History of Hoops RC 51030
by Mark Stewart
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Discusses the popular sport from its 1891 inception in a Massachusetts YMCA to its evolution into an Olympic event. Relates significant developments and key personalities on both the college and the professional levels. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1998.

Eleanor Everywhere: The Life of Eleanor Roosevelt RC 51036
by Monica Kulling
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Biography of the shy girl who became a leading human rights advocate. Orphaned at a young age, Eleanor finished boarding school caring deeply about the needy. Her marriage to distant cousin Franklin resulted in Eleanor's becoming first lady. She remained active and much admired after Franklin's death. An easy chapter book. For grades 2-4. 1999.

Science Projects about Kitchen Chemistry RC 51062
by Robert Gardner
read by Jim Johnston
1 cassette
Experiments dealing with the chemistry of foods and cooking. Includes information about carbohydrates, fats, proteins, acids and bases, yeasts, eggs, and the strength of spaghetti. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Multiple Sclerosis RC 51076
by Nathan Aaseng
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Combines the personal stories of movie, television, and sports figures who were diagnosed with multiple sclerosis (MS) with a medical discussion of the neurological disease. Covers symptoms, methods of detection, effects, treatments, and approaches to living with MS. For grades 6-9. 2000.

Ghana RC 51084
by Patricia Levy
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
Describes the geography, history, government, economy, people, lifestyle, religion, language, arts, leisure, festivals, and food of the West African Republic of Ghana. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1999.

Tim Duncan RC 51150
by Jeremy Byman
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
Biography of the basketball superstar from St. Croix who didn't even play the game until high school. Duncan attended Wake Forest University on a sports scholarship and insisted on graduating before being drafted by the San Antonio Spurs in 1997. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Backstreet Boys RC 51204
by Cathy Alter Zymet
read by Sharon Murray
1 cassette
Collective biography of the five members of this musical group. Describes the band's beginnings in Florida, their initial success in Europe, and the religious faith that sustains them. For grades 6-9. 2000.

Cassettes Fiction

Snowdrops for Cousin Ruth RC 48423
by Susan Katz
read by Gillian Green
1 cassette
Nine-year-old Johanna Rush's brother, Johnny, is killed in a car accident just two days after Christmas. Eight months later his twin sister, Susie, is still not talking. Johanna has been told not to talk about Johnny because that upsets everyone. But when Cousin Ruth comes to live close by, things change. For grades 4-7. 1998.

Wayside School Gets a Little Stranger RC 48597
by Louis Sachar
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
The students on the thirtieth story of the school built sideways have a series of unusual substitute teachers. Sequel to *Wayside School Is Falling Down (RC 48596)*. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Gratefully Yours RC 49039
by Jane Buchanan
read by Peg Gilleland
1 cassette
In 1923, Hattie, nine, rides the Orphan Train to Nebraska and is taken in by Henry and Elizabeth Jansen, who recently lost their young son and unborn daughter. Henry needs Hattie's help with the farm work and in caring for Elizabeth, who is often ill. Hattie hopes she will be treated kindly. For grades 4-7. 1997.

The Face in the Mirror RC 49754
by Stephanie S. Tolan
read by Arnie Warren
1 cassette
Teenager Jared Kingsley's actress moth-

er sends him to live with his father, a famous director, whom he has never known. His father, stepmother, and obnoxious half brother are performing a play in a reputedly haunted opera house. There Jared discovers his innate acting ability—and a sinister ghost. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Countdown RC 49755
by Ben Mikaelsen
read by Gary Roan
1 cassette
NASA has selected Elliot as its first junior astronaut. From space he talks by radio with people on Earth, including Vincent, a Maasai youth. Elliot and Vincent argue over their respective beliefs and customs, but finally realize that such differences need not be barriers to friendship. Some violence. For grades 5-8. 1996.

Stockings of Buttermilk: American Folktales RC 49757
edited by Neil Philip
read by Arnie Warren
1 cassette
Sixteen traditional stories with European origins. In some of the tales, such as "The Cat That Went A-Traveling," animals outsmart humans. In "Lady Featherflight," the daughter of a mean giant tricks him in order to help a young man she later marries. Source notes are provided. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Eloise at Christmastime; Eloise in Moscow RC 49857
by Kay Thompson
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Two complete stories about the mischievous six-year-old who lives at the Plaza Hotel. Eloise enjoys Christmas in her own inimitable way, spreading cheer and giving gifts to the staff. And, when Eloise and Nanny visit Moscow, she is undaunted by language or cultural barriers. For grades 2-4 and older readers. 1958.

The Ghost in the Tokaido Inn RC 50081
by Dorothy Hoobler and Thomas Hoobler
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Japan, 1735. While attempting to solve the mystery of a stolen jewel, Seikei, a merchant's fourteen-year-old son who longs to be a samurai, joins a group of Kabuki actors. For grades 6-9. 1999.

Here Comes Heavenly RC 50218
by Todd Strasser
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
The Rands' nanny stormed off last night, leaving fourteen-year-old Kit, her brother, two stepsiblings, and a toddler half brother, while both parents were away on business as usual. Now a nanny—with purple hair, tattoos, and piercings—magically appears in their house, makes them breakfast, and begins bossing them around. For grades 6-9. 1999.

Emily's First 100 Days of School RC 50435
by Rosemary Wells
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Starting with the number one for the first day of school, Emily Bunny learns the numbers up to one hundred in many different ways. For grades K-3. 2000.

The Grey King RC 50442
by Susan Cooper
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes (Reissue)
While visiting in Wales, Will Stanton is challenged to find a golden harp to rouse the sleepers needed for the battle against the Dark. Sequel to *Greenwitch (RC 50257)*. For grades 4-7 and older readers. Newbery Medal. 1975.

Silver on the Tree RC 50443
by Susan Cooper
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In this sequel to *The Grey King (RC 50442)* and last in the series Will Stanton, an immortal dedicated to saving the world, receives a dreadful warning that the Dark is rising in its last and greatest bid for global domination. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1977.

Anne of Green Gables; Anne of Avonlea; Anne's House of Dreams RC 50475
by Lucy Maud Montgomery
read by Jill Fox
6 cassettes (Reissue)
An anthology of three complete novels chronicling Anne's passage from eleven-year-old orphan to village schoolteacher to the bride of young doctor Gilbert Blythe, who provides her with the house of her dreams. The first book was originally published in 1908. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1985.

The Case of the Lion Dance: Chinatown Mystery, Volume 2 RC 50506
by Laurence Yep
read by MaryBeth Wise
1 cassette
In this sequel to *The Case of the Goblin Pearls (RC 46951)*, Lily and her actress great-aunt Tiger Lil are attending the opening of a friend's restaurant when charity funds are stolen. The duo searches for the thief in San Francisco's Chinatown. For grades 4-7. 1998.

The Trouble with Cats RC 50545
by Martha Freeman
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
Holly Garland has a new home; a new school; and a new stepfather, William. And she shares a bedroom with four mischievous cats in William's tiny San Francisco apartment. Holly's life is a disaster for a few days, but she soon learns to adjust. For grades 2-4. 2000.

Yang the Eldest and His Odd Jobs RC 50581
by Lensey Namioka
read by Miranda Daniloff
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Yang the Second and Her Secret Admirers (RC 49543)*, Third Sister and her siblings try to help Eldest Brother, the most talented musician in the Yang family, find work to pay for a new violin. For grades 3-6. 2000.

Tuck Everlasting RC 50587
by Natalie Babbitt
read by Anne Hancock
1 cassette (Reissue)
Winnie Foster is ten when she meets seventeen-year-old Jesse Tuck in the woods and learns that his family hasn't aged in eighty-seven years since drinking from a secret spring. She is mighty tempted to drink that water too. For grades 4-7. 1975.

My Life as a Fifth-Grade Comedian RC 50797
by Elizabeth Levy
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Class clown Bobby is on the verge of being sent to an alternative school because

of his disruptive behavior. Recognizing that Bobby needs help channeling his sense of humor, his teacher encourages him to organize a laugh-off contest at school. For grades 4-7. 1997.

The Great Interactive Dream Machine: Another Adventure in Cyberspace RC 50828
by Richard Peck
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Lost in Cyberspace (RC 42808)*, Aaron has designed a computer program that will transport him through time and space, but it has a flaw. If anyone is nearby, the program will send Aaron and Josh where that person dreams of going. For grades 4-7. 1996.

Rain RC 50870
by Manya Stojic
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
The soil of the African savanna is dry and beginning to crack. Then the porcupine smells the rain coming, the zebras see it, and the rhino feels it. It rains and rains and rains, making everything lush and green—until it stops, and the land becomes dry and hot again. For preschool-grade 2. 2000.

The Secret of the Old Clock RC 50914
by Carolyn Keene
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette (Reissue)
When Nancy Drew witnesses a near-accident on a country road, she becomes involved with a missing will and the theft of some valuable silver pieces. For grades 3-6. 1930.

The Hidden Staircase RC 50915
by Carolyn Keene
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette (Reissue)
Nancy Drew visits the family mansion of a close friend to discover the source of untraceable music, thumps, creaking noises, and eerie shadows. For grades 3-6. 1930.

Mary Poppins RC 50917
by P.L. Travers
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette (Reissue)
An extraordinary English woman blows in on the East Wind with her parrot-headed umbrella and magic carpetbag to become the Banks family's new nanny. Mary Poppins introduces her elder charges, Jane and Michael, to some delightful people and experiences. Prequel to *Mary Poppins Comes Back (RC 50918)*. For grades 4-7. 1934.

Mary Poppins Comes Back RC 50918
by P.L. Travers
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette
One out-of-sorts day the Banks children are sent to the park, where Michael flies his kite so high it disappears behind a cloud. Tugging on the line, he winds in Mary Poppins! And her return brings more unusual adventures. Sequel to *Mary Poppins (RC 50917)*. For grades 4-7. 1935.

The Mystery of Mineral Gorge: A Cobtown Story from the Diaries of Lucky Hart RC 50928
by Julia Van Nutt
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Cobtown, USA; 1845. When eerie shrieking sounds begin emerging from Mineral Gorge, even the brave ten-

year-old Lucky Hart is scared. Citizens hold a town meeting and decide to send a search party to investigate the horrible noise. Their discovery brings quite a surprise. For grades K-3. 1999.

Arthur's Camp-Out RC 50942
by Lillian Hoban
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Arthur is bored with spring vacation. When his little sister is invited to a camp out in the woods behind their house, Arthur decides to go on an overnight field trip by himself. But it's pretty scary out there! An easy chapter book. For grades K-3. 1993.

Blackwater RC 50943
by Eve Bunting
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
When Brodie and his cousin Alex go to the river, Brodie finds Pauline—the girl he wants to date—with another guy, Otis. Brodie plays a dumb prank on Pauline, which turns tragic as she and Otis are swept away downriver. But then lying about what happened makes matters worse. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Arthur's Family Treasury: Three Arthur Adventures in One Volume RC 50951
by Marc Brown
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
The adventures of Arthur the aardvark and his family include *Arthur's Birthday*, when Arthur solves the problem of having the same birthday as Muffy; *Arthur's Family Vacation*, when it rains almost all the time; and *Arthur's Baby*, when a new sister joins the family. For preschool-grade 2. 2000.

Gib and the Gray Ghost RC 51011
by Zilpha Keatley Snyder
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
In this companion to *Gib Rides Home (RC 46233)* Gib is leaving the orphanage for the second time to return to the Thornton ranch, where he cares for the horses. During a blizzard a beautiful gray thoroughbred, abused and hungry, finds his way to the stable. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Odder than Ever: Stories RC 51012
by Bruce Coville
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Nine fantasy tales involving aliens, nightmares, and ghosts. "The Golden Sail" and "The Metamorphosis of Justin Jones" were written specifically to be performed with a symphony orchestra. In "Biscuits of Glory," a ghost is forced to make fluffy biscuits every Saturday night. Companion to *Oddly Enough (RC 43249)*. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Off the Rim RC 51019
by Fred Bowen
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Christopher has to warm the bench on his school's basketball team because he can't score. But with the help of Greta, the girl's champion, and her mother, a former star defense player, he learns that teamwork is more important than scoring. For grades 4-7. 1998.

The Final Cut RC 51029
by Fred Bowen
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Eighth-graders Ryan, Zeke, Miles, and Eli have always been friends, but now

they're trying out for the school's basketball team. Ryan worries what will happen if they don't all make the cut—and they don't. For grades 4-7. 1999.

The Wonderful Wizard of Oz RC 51047
by L. Frank Baum
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette
When a cyclone blows Dorothy and her dog Toto from their Kansas home to the magical Land of Oz, Dorothy meets the Munchkins and witches. With her new companions the Scarecrow, the Tin Woodman, and the Cowardly Lion, Dorothy travels to the Emerald City to petition the Wizard. For grades 4-7. 1899.

The Giggler Treatment RC 51050
by Roddy Doyle
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette
The small furry Gigglers' favorite punishment for adults who are unfair to children is to place dog poo in their path. Now the Gigglers are after Mr. Mack and plan to use his family's dog, Rover (who can talk), to supply the poo. But perhaps they are making a mistake. For grades 2-4. 2000.

Marvin Redpost: A Flying Birthday Cake? RC 51063
by Louis Sachar
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
One night Marvin sees what looks like a glowing green birthday cake streaking across the sky. The following Monday an unusual boy named Joe Normal joins Marvin's class at school. The other kids make fun of Joe's odd habits, but Marvin befriends him. For grades 2-4. 1999.

The Mystery of the Purple Pool RC 51133
by Gertrude Chandler Warner
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
Their grandfather is in New York on a business trip, and the Aldens have come along to do some sightseeing. Instead, they end up investigating mysteries plaguing the hotel—the swimming pool is purple, sugar and salt have switched places in the dining room, and the elevator stops between floors. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Frog and Toad Are Friends RC 51143
by Arnold Lobel
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette (Reissue)
Five stories about the adventures of two friends, a solemn green frog and a funny brown toad. When Frog is sick in bed looking green, Toad brings him some tea and tells him a story. And when Toad loses his button, Frog helps him find it. For grades K-3. 1970.

The Great Kapok Tree: A Tale of the Amazon Rain Forest RC 51149
by Lynne Cherry
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
When a man walks into the rain forest and begins to chop down a great kapok tree, all the different animals that live in the tree try to convince him of the importance of sparing their home. For grades K-3 and older readers. 1990.

Owen Foote, Money Man RC 51158
by Stephanie Greene
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Eight-year-old Owen needs cash because there is a lot of neat stuff he'd like to buy. But his mother's suggestion

of doing chores for a weekly allowance sounds like too much work. Beginning chapter book. Sequel to *Owen Foote, Frontiersman (RC 49561)*. For grades 2-4. 2000.

The Pet Shop Mystery RC 51169
by Gertrude Chandler Warner
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
When the owner of the Pretty Bird Pet Shop has to take a few days off, she asks the Alden children to help her new employee, Mr. Fowler, take care of the animals. The children soon discover Mr. Fowler is involved in an illegal scheme. For grades 3-6. 1996.

Gathering Blue RC 51297
by Lois Lowry
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
When Kira is suddenly orphaned, the neighbors try to expel her because of her lame leg. Kira's talent for embroidery saves her life, but places her under the Council of Guardians, which also controls Thomas, a young woodcarver, and Jo, a little tyke with a wondrous voice. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Las Grandes Profecías de la Biblia: Treinta y Siete Profecías Cruciales que Nos Afectan Hoy (Major Bible Prophecies: Thirty-seven Crucial Prophecies Affecting Us Today) RC 50289
por John F. Walvoord
leído por Juan Ramírez
4 cassettes
¿Qué predice la Biblia acerca del fin del mundo? El reconocido experto en profecía bíblica selecciona treinta y siete de las profecías más importantes, y se concentra en explicarlas a la luz de lo que está sucediendo en la actualidad. (What does the Bible predict about the end of the world? A well-known biblical expert presents thirty-seven of the most important prophecies in the Bible, explaining them in light of events taking place in the world toward the end of the twentieth century.) 1995.

To Catch a Star/Alcanzar una Estrella RC 50414
por Ivette González
leido por varios narradores
2 cassettes
Mario Santana se escapó de Cuba para realizar sus sueños. Definitivamente, ser el chófer de Marta Alvarez, una actriz bella, rica y temperamental, no es uno de esos sueños. Pero Mario pronto descubre que hay mucho más com Marta de lo que nadie sospecha. Novela romántica bilingue en inglés y español. (Mario Santana fled Cuba to seek out a better life. However, working as chauffeur to rich, tempermental actress Marta Alvarez is not exactly his idea of the American dream. But he finds there is more to Marta than he first realized. Bilingual romance in English and Spanish.) 1999.

Un Día . . . Tal Vez un Viernes: Una Novela No Muy Seria, pero Eso Sí, Romántica (One Day . . . Perhaps a Friday: A Novel, Not Very Serious, but Really Romantic) RC 50711
por Carlos Deupi
leído por Juan Ramírez
2 cassettes
Una novela costumbrista, con un tono lleno de humor y simpatía, que describe las peripecias de la vida cotidiana en los Estados Unidos. El tema culmina cuando el protagonista se reune en el Tango Bar con un antiguo amigo suyo, "el hombre de las mil aventuras," donde recuerdan las aventuras coloridas de su juventud en la Cuba de los años 1950. Lenguaje injurioso y algunas descripciones de índole sexual. (The protagonist observes the humor of daily life at work and afterward as he wends his way to the Tango Bar to reminisce with a friend, the man of a thousand adventures, from his youth in 1950s Cuba. Strong language and some descriptions of sex.) 1991.

Lluvia de Oro (Rain of Gold) RC 50714
por Víctor Villaseñor
leído por Juan Ramírez
7 cassettes in 2 containers
El autor mexicano-americano narra la historia de tres generaciones de su familia. Los padres del autor vienen de México, pero ahora la familia vive en California. La historia de Villaseñor es la del sueño americano, y de una familia indomable y alimentado por el amor que supera la pobreza y los perjucios en busca del éxito. Contiene descripciones de violencia y lenguaje injurioso. (A real-life saga covering three generations of the author's Mexican American family in California. Portrays a loving and spirited people pursuing the American dream while struggling against poverty and prejudice. Violence and strong language.) 1991.

Now and Always/Para Siempre RC 50884
por Caridad Scordato
leído por María Pino
3 cassettes
El médico ortopédico Víctor Cienfuegos cree que Carmen González es demasiado joven para servirle como nueva recepcionista. Pero Carmen pronto prueba que sirve muy bien, cuando le presenta a su hermana mayor, Connie, a Víctor. Connie resulta ser un agente del FBI que al sufrir un brazo quebrado recibe tratamiento médico de Víctor, y acaba enamorándose de él. Lenguaje injurioso y descripciones de índole sexual.(Orthopedic surgeon Victor Cienfuegos believes the temporary receptionist sent to his office is too young to be any good. But Carmen Gonzalez quickly proves valuable, especially when her FBI agent sister, Connie, suffers a broken arm and steals Victor's heart. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.)

Ricky Martin: Livin' the Crazy Life/Livin' la Vida Loca RC 50885
por Kristin Sparks
leído por Maria Pino
2 cassettes
Presenta la biografía del popular cantante puertorriqueño, ganador del premio Grammy. Narra la carrera de Ricky como cantante en el joven grupo Menudo, como actor en la telenovela *General Hospital* y en Broadway, y como caliente cantante solista. Para grados 6 a 9 y lectores mayores. Edición bilingüe en ingés y español. (Biography of the

Grammy Award-winning singer from Puerto Rico. Chronicles his career with the boy band Menudo, his acting on the soap opera *General Hospital*, his stint on Broadway, and his solo debut. For grades 6-9 and older readers. English/
Spanish language. 1999.)

Béisbol en los Barrios (Baseball in the Barrio) RC 50971
por Henry Horenstein
read by leído por Juan Ramírez
1 cassette
Hublado Romero Páez sueña con jugar el béisbol. Es un niño de nueve años que vive en Caracas, Venezuela, y que nos presenta a su familia y amigos—pero sobre todo habla del béisbol, tan popular en su país como en cualquier parte del mundo. Para grados 3 a 6 y lectores mayores. (Hubaldo Romero Páez dreams of playing baseball. The nine-year-old boy, who lives in Caracas, Venezuela, talks about his friends, family, and most of all, baseball, a popular sport in his country. For grades 3-6 and older readers.) 1997.

Sopa de Pollo para el Alma: Relatos que Conmueven el Corazón y Ponen Fuego en el Espíritu (Chicken Soup for the Soul: Stories to Open the Heart and Rekindle the Spirit) RC 50972
recopilado por Jack Canfield y
Mark Victor Hansen
leído por Juan Ramírez
2 cassettes
Presentan relatos, poemas y ejemplos que sirven para animarnos en los momentos más dificiles. Contiene consejos reconfortantes sobre el amor, los niños, la realización de sus sueños, y la superación de obstáculos. Incluye escritos de Bennett Cerf, Art Buchwald, Pablo Casals, y Theodore Roosevelt. (Collection of true stories, poems, and several checklists that readers might use to help them through bad times. The seven sections include love, parenting, living your dream, and overcoming obstacles. They include works by Bennett Cerf, Art Buchwald, Pablo Casals, and Theodore Roosevelt.) 1995.

Morir en la Habana (To Die in Havana) RC 50973
por Antonio Villa
leído por Juan Ramírez
2 cassettes
Fracasado en su vida personal, un cubano que vive en Nueva York se enreda en una maraña de crimen e intrigas políticas en Cuba. Aquí emprende una odisea de destrucción personal y acaba compartiendo el destino de muchos cubanos bajo el regimen castristra. (After a series of personal failures, a Cuban living in New York is drawn into a web of crime and political intrigue in Cuba. His odyssey of self-destruction leads him to the fate of many of his countrymen under the Castro regime.) 1995.

Sosa: Una Autobiografía (Sosa: An Autobiography) RC 50974
por Sammy Sosa
leído por Juan Ramírez
2 cassettes
Como jardinero de los Cachorros de Chicago, Sammy Sosa alcanzó fama internacional cuando rompió, con Mark McGwire, la gran marca de jonronear. Ahora, Sosa cuenta su propria historia, su indigente infancia, sus primeros juegos de béisbol, y su

ascenso por las ligas menores hasta la descomunal batalla de jonrones en 1998. (Chicago Cubs outfielder Sammy Sosa tells his own story, describing his childhood in the Dominican Republic, his introduction to baseball, his rise through the minor leagues, and the fateful 1998 season. Sosa achieved international fame when he, along with Mark McGwire, broke baseball's long-standing home run record.) 2000.

La Casa en Mango Street (The House on Mango Street) RC 50975
por Sandra Cisneros
leído por María Pino
1 cassette
Esperanza vive en el barrio puertorriqueño de Chicago. Ella es una muchacha fuera de lo común que observa la vida en un lugar de mucho movimiento donde se habla una mezcla de inglés y español. Esperanza hace frente a la vida contando historias y viñetas acerca de su familia y amigos. La autora también escribió la novela *El Arroyo de la Llorona (RC 48077)*. (These vignettes introduce friends and family of Esperanza, who lives in Chicago's Puerto Rican section. In her transient neighborhood, where people speak a mixture of Spanish and English, the out-of-step Esperanza copes by telling stories. By the author of *El Arroyo de la Llorona (RC 48077).)* 1994.

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Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)
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Health and Nutrition Newsletters (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, Healthline, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty, Mayo Clinic Health Letter,** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter,** monthly)
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☐ RC 50032	C070.50032
☐ RC 50049	C070.50049
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☐ RC 50068	C070.50068
☐ RC 50084	C070.50084
☐ RC 50180	C070.50180
☐ RC 50190	C070.50190
☐ RC 50193	C070.50193
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☐ RC 50264	C070.50264
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☐ RC 50417	C070.50417	☐ RC 50683	C070.50683
☐ RC 50418	C070.50418	☐ RC 50687	C070.50687
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☐ RC 50873	C070.50873
☐ RC 50878	C070.50878
☐ RC 50881	C070.50881
☐ RC 50886	C070.50886
☐ RC 50901	C070.50901
☐ RC 50904	C070.50904
☐ RC 50930	C070.50930
☐ RC 50944	C070.50944
☐ RC 50962	C070.50962
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☐ RC 51213	C070.51213
☐ RC 51220	C070.51220
☐ RC 51289	C070.51289
☐ RC 51290	C070.51290
☐ RC 51407	C070.51407
☐ RC 51505	C070.51505
☐ RC 51840	C070.51840

Cassettes Fiction

☐ RC 45492	C070.45492
☐ RC 47517	C070.47517
☐ RC 49222	C070.49222
☐ RC 49320	C070.49320
☐ RC 49339	C070.49339

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☐ RC 50630	C070.50630
☐ RC 50639	C070.50639
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☐ RC 50926	C070.50926
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☐ RC 51062	C070.51062
☐ RC 51076	C070.51076
☐ RC 51084	C070.51084

Book Number	Office Use Only
☐ RC 51150	C070.51150
☐ RC 51204	C070.51204

Cassettes Fiction

Book Number	Office Use Only
☐ RC 48423	C070.48423
☐ RC 48597	C070.48597
☐ RC 49039	C070.49039
☐ RC 49754	C070.49754
☐ RC 49755	C070.49755
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Arkansas	Little Rock	866-660-0885	(501) 682-1155
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Kentucky	Frankfort	800-372-2968	(502) 564-8300
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Michigan	Lansing	800-992-9012	(517) 373-5614
	Westland	888-968-2737	(734) 727-7300
Minnesota	Faribault	800-722-0550	(507) 333-4828
Mississippi	Jackson	800-446-0892	(601) 713-3409
Missouri	Jefferson City	800-392-2614	(573) 751-8720
Montana	Helena	800-332-3400	(406) 444-2064
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New York	Albany	800-342-3688	(518) 474-5935
	New York City		(212) 206-5400
North Carolina	Raleigh	888-388-2460	(919) 733-4376
North Dakota	Bismarck	800-843-9948	(701) 328-1408
Ohio	Cincinnati	800-582-0335	(513) 369-6999
	Cleveland	800-362-1262	(216) 623-2911
Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	800-523-0288	(405) 521-3514
Oregon	Salem	800-452-0292	(503) 378-3849
	Portland		(503) 224-0610
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	Pittsburgh	800-242-0586	(412) 687-2440
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Tennessee	Nashville	800-342-3308	(615) 741-3915
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West Virginia	Charleston	800-642-8674	(304) 558-4061
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New and updated publications available

A number of new or revised and updated NLS publications have become available.

What's New? The 2002 edition of *What's New?* is now available in braille, in large print, and online. The annual update, designed for people already familiar with the NLS program, describes recent developments in the service, including new publications and reference materials, and advances in automation and technological research, including Web-Braille and the Digital Talking Book Project. *What's New?* is available in braille and large print from the Reference Section, NLS, Washington, DC 20542, and on the NLS web site <www.loc.gov/nls/ whatsnew2002.html>.

Two new catalogs have been completed, both available in large print and online: *Cassette Books 2001* and *For Younger Readers 2000–2001*. *Braille Books 1999–2000*, already available in print and online, has been published in braille. These and other annual catalogs are accessible at <www.loc.gov/nls/ catalogs/index.html>.

Three new factsheets have been released:

Facts: Web-Braille (2001). Available in large print and online at <www.loc.gov/ nls/reference/factsheets/webbraille.html>. Also available in braille by request from the NLS Reference Section.

Frequently Asked Questions: Digital Talking Books (2002). Available in large print, in braille, and online at <www.loc.gov/nls/dtbfaq.html>.

Music Services for Blind and Physically

Handicapped Individuals (2002). Available in print, in braille, and online at <www.loc.gov/nls/reference/ factsheets/ music.html>.

A new reference circular, *Magnifying Devices: A Resource Guide* (2002), has been produced, and is available in large print and online at <www.loc.gov/nls/ reference/circulars/magnifiers.html>.

A report titled *Digital Talking Books: Progress to Date* (May 2002) has been issued and is available in braille and large print, on audiocassette and computer diskette, and online at <www.loc.gov/ nls/technical/dtbprogress/index.html>. The report updates developments in digital technology at NLS; the digital talking-book standard; the computer-based cost analysis system; the Digital Long-Term Planning Group; recording systems; and Web-Braille.

The following NLS-produced reference publications are now available on alternate formats, as indicated:

Bibles and Other Sacred Writings in Special Media (1999). Available in audiocassette, in braille, and online at <www.loc.gov/nls/reference/circulars/ bibles.html>.

Blindness and Visual Impairments: Information and Advocacy Organizations (2001). Available on audiocassette, in braille, and online at <www.loc.gov/nls/ reference/circulars/blindorg2001.html>.

Braille Embossers (2000). Available in braille and online at <www.loc.gov/nls/reference/circulars/ brailleembossers.html>.

Magazines in Special Media 2000. Available on audiocassette, in braille, and online at <ftp://ftp.loc.gov/pub/nls/reference/ directories/magazines.txt>.

Sources of Custom-Produced Books: Braille, Audio Recordings, and Large Print 2001 (formerly *Volunteers Who Produce Books*). Available in braille and online in HTML format at <www.loc.gov/nls/reference/ directories/sources.html> and in plain text at <ftp://ftp.loc.gov/nls/ reference/directories/custombooks.txt>.

A revised bibliography, *Library and Information Services to Individuals with Disabilities* (June 2002), has been issued in standard print.

The NLS Music Section has prepared a list of braille and recorded librettos and supporting materials keyed to the 2002–2003 season of Metropolitan Opera radio and television broadcasts. The opera performance schedule, which runs from December 7, 2002, through April 19, 2003, along with information for ordering the appropriate supporting materials may be found online at <www.loc.gov/nls/music/opera03.html>.

Newsstand

The following announcements may be of interest to readers. The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped reserves the right to publish announcements selectively, as space permits. Items mentioned, however, are not part of the NLS program, and their listing does not imply endorsement.

New from National Braille Press. *Finding eBooks on the Internet*, by Anna Dresner, tells how to obtain books in accessible formats from such sites as Web-Braille and Bookshare; books in public domain from sources such as Project Gutenberg and the eText Spider;

and accessible books from commercial services, including Baen Books and FictionWise. This detailed how-to book also includes information about the Digital Talking Book Standard and instructions for accessing different types of files, including DOC and PDF. Keyboard commands are given for using Internet Explorer with JAWS and Window-Eyes.

A review and the full table of contents appear online at <www.nbp.org/ebook.html>.

Finding eBooks on the Internet is available in braille (two volumes) or large print for $14 from National Braille Press, 88 St. Stephen Street, Boston, MA 02115-4302; telephone 800-548-7323 toll free or (617) 266-6160, ext. 20; e-mail <orders@nbp.org>.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

American Indian Healing Arts: Herbs, Rituals, and Remedies for Every Season of Life RC 48564
by E. Barrie Kavasch and Karen Baar
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
History and uses of Native American healing practices. Examines major stages of an individual's life from different tribal perspectives. Describes rituals and the herbs, fungi, and other materials used for rites of passage, illness prevention, and healing. Contains more than sixty easy-to-prepare American Indian-inspired recipes. 1999.

The American West: A New Interpretive History RC 50834
by Robert V. Hine and
John Mack Faragher
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
In this updated version of *The American West: An Interpretive History (RC 23190)*, the authors extend their research to include further material on Native Americans, women, and the environment, as well as the development of Silicon Valley. Reevaluates many of the myths and assumptions about the West. 2000.

My Life as an Indian RC 51364
by J.W. Schultz
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Autobiography of a trader and rancher who married a Piegan woman and moved to the Blackfeet reservation in 1886. He recalls his adventures in the Montana Territory, where he learned the customs, language, and traditions of his wife's people—participating in buffalo hunts and enjoying the wilderness. 1907.

Lay This Body Down: The 1921 Murders of Eleven Plantation Slaves RC 51496
by Gregory A. Freeman
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Using FBI case notes, newspaper articles, and court documents, a journalist recalls the practice of peonage. Asserts that such "debt bondage," forcing African American men into indefinite servitude, was widespread in the South. Details the 1921 case of a Georgia plantation owner and his overseer accused of killing their farm laborers. 1999.

The Darwin Awards: Evolution in Action RC 51562
by Wendy Northcutt
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Compilation of bizarre anecdotes from a popular Internet site commemorating individuals whose actions have lethal personal consequences, thereby removing them from the gene pool. Award-winners include tourists who locked themselves out of their car in a tiger grotto and a terrorist who opened his returned letter bomb. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. Bestseller 2000.

Hitler 1889–1936: Hubris RC 51683
by Ian Kershaw
read by Roy Avers
6 cassettes
Evaluates the conditions that facilitated the relatively unknown Adolf Hitler's rise to power in German society during the post-World War I era. Investigates the originating motives, adroit manipulations, and sheer luck that led from Hitler's early successes to the creation of an aggressive superpower. Prequel to *Hitler 1936–1945: Nemesis (RC 51684).* Violence. 1998.

The Custom of the Sea RC 51749
by Neil Hanson
read by David Cutler
2 cassettes
Drawing from newspaper accounts and court proceedings, a journalist depicts the 1884 *Mignonette* journey and the ensuing case in English court that made cannibalism a felony. Shipwrecked and wandering the seas in a lifeboat without food and water for several days, the crew killed and ate its youngest member. Some violence. 1999.

God Calling RC 51750
edited by A.J. Russell
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A book of daily Christian inspirations and devotions compiled by two women who chose to remain anonymous and who maintained that the messages were channeled through them by Jesus Christ of Nazareth. 1933.

The Mummy in Ancient Egypt: Equipping the Dead for Eternity RC 51845
by Salima Ikram and Aidan Dodson
read by Madelyn Buzzard
4 cassettes
Examines funerary beliefs and customs through three thousand years of Egyptian history. Discusses what is known about mummies, from preservation of the body to modern DNA tests. Covers immediate appurtenances, including adornments, amulets, and jewelry, as well as containers for bodies and body parts, such as coffins, sarcophagi, and canopic jars. 1998.

Little Saint RC 51925
by Hannah Green
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
An American writer describes her spiritual awakening in Conques, a village in southern France, where the remains of a fourth-century martyr, twelve-year-old Sainte Foy, are venerated. Green intermingles history, biography, spiritual meditation, and personal experience to describe the life and times of the girl who is the village's patron saint. 2000.

W.E.B. Du Bois: The Fight for Equality and the American Century, 1919–1963
RC 51944
by David Levering Lewis
read by Jake Williams
7 cassettes in 2 containers
Lewis narrates the story of Du Bois's life between 1919 and 1963. Analyzes the competing racial, political, and cultural ideologies of the time and explains the interplay among events, Du Bois's writings, and his fight for equality and justice for African Americans. Sequel to *W.E.B. Du Bois: Biography of a Race, 1868–1919 (RC 40267)*. 2000.

Tip O'Neill and the Democratic Century
RC 51966
by John Aloysius Farrell
read by Robert Sams
7 cassettes in 2 containers
The life and times of politician Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill (1912–1994), whose career spanned fifty years and culminated in five terms as Speaker of the House. Describes O'Neill's family history as well as the changing fortunes of the Democratic party during the course of the twentieth century. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Seabiscuit: An American Legend
RC 51968
by Laura Hillenbrand
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Recounts the rise of an "undersized, crooked-legged" thoroughbred horse that in 1938 was the year's number one newsmaker over Franklin Roosevelt, Hitler, and Lou Gehrig. Hillenbrand tells Seabiscuit's story through the three men who made a true long shot into a winner: owner Charles Howard, trainer Tom Smith, and jockey Red Pollard. Bestseller 2001.

The Measure of Life: Virginia Woolf's Last Years RC 51980
by Herbert Marder
read by Anne Flosnik
4 cassettes
Examines the last decade of the British writer's life—from 1930 until her suicide in 1941. Discusses Woolf's writing and her viewpoints in the context of social and political events of the times; explores her fascination with drowning and death. Includes excerpts from her diaries and letters. 2000.

Can't You Hear Me Callin': The Life of Bill Monroe, Father of Bluegrass
RC 51982
by Richard D. Smith
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
This biography of Bill Monroe (1911–1996) explores his musical genius and reveals his character flaws. Examines the long-running feud between Monroe and his former band members Lester Flatt and Earl Scruggs and discusses the debate about the origins of bluegrass and Monroe's place in the American music pantheon. 2000.

American Home Cooking: Over Three Hundred Spirited Recipes Celebrating Our Rich Traditions of Home Cooking
RC 52029
by Cheryl Alters Jamison and Bill Jamison
read by Kerry Cundiff
4 cassettes
Award-winning authors present more than three hundred recipes reflecting over four centuries of the culinary innovations and adaptations of immigrants and natives. The collection focuses on

what's "flavorful, fun, and practical" and on the use of fresh ingredients and time-honored techniques. Includes appetizers, sandwiches, soups, meats, vegetables, grains, desserts, drinks, and cooking technique tips. 1999.

Dr. Susan Love's Breast Book
RC 52036
by Susan M. Love
read by Madelyn Buzzard
5 cassettes
Revised edition of *RC 36430* discusses breast anatomy, variations in development, and common problems such as infections and lumpiness. The surgeon also discusses diagnostic tools, prediction and prevention of cancer (including the author's research on ductal lavage), treatment, and living with breast cancer. 2000.

Visions of Technology: A Century of Vital Debate about Machines, Systems, and the Human World RC 52046
edited by Richard Rhodes
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
A chronological presentation of texts about technological change, spanning the twentieth century, includes Henry Ford's concept for a horseless carriage, H.G. Wells's prediction of atomic bombs, Arthur C. Clarke's vision of geosynchrony, Murphy's Law, the silent spring of Rachel Carson, and E.F. Schumacher's reminder that small is beautiful. 1999.

Our Vietnam: The War 1954–1975
RC 52061
by A.J. Langguth
read by Steven Carpenter
6 cassettes
Former war correspondent describes thirty years of U.S. and North Vietnam foreign relations politics. Compares presidents Kennedy, Johnson, Nixon, and Ford with their Communist counterparts and discusses events in the fighting field and in the capitals. Violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

A History of Western Philosophy
RC 52158
by Bertrand Russell
read by Geoffrey Sherman
7 cassettes in 2 containers (Reissue)
Nobel laureate examines philosophy as "an integral part of social and political life," from the rise of Greek civilization, through the era of Catholic dominance to the Renaissance, to the twentieth century and the emergence of modern philosophy. 1945.

Bipolar Disorder: A Guide for Patients and Families RC 52187
by Francis Mark Mondimore
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
A guide to the symptoms, diagnosis, treatment, and causes of the psychiatric illness formerly known as manic depression. Discusses variations of the illness as manifest in youth and women; both traditional and nontraditional treatment options; advice for coping and handling emergencies; and other resources. 1999.

The Mighty Eighth: The Air War in Europe as Told by the Men Who Fought It RC 52211
by Gerald Astor
read by Richard Hauenstein
4 cassettes
Accounts of World War II aerial battles mounted from Britain by the newly formed Eighth Air Force of the U.S. Army Air Corps against the German Luftwaffe. Based on diaries, journals,

and letters of pilots, navigators, and crew members, including those of the P-51 Mustang fighter and the B-17 Flying Fortress. 1997.

Prime Time: How Baby Boomers Will Revolutionize Retirement and Transform America RC 52214
by Marc Freedman
read by David Myers
3 cassettes
Discusses how extending life expectancy has produced an ever-increasing group of older Americans whose experiences and talents are untapped resources that could benefit society. Citing examples of people who continued working after their first retirement, the author describes existing and potential programs that can create opportunities for aging citizens. 1999.

The Jewish Confederates RC 52237
by Robert N. Rosen
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
A history of the participation of southern Jews in the Confederate effort during the American Civil War. Rosen estimates that more than 2,000 Jews, comfortably assimilated in religiously tolerant southern society, went into battle under rebel colors. Presents numerous anecdotes and portraits of southern Jewish loyalists, some of whom even held slaves. 2000.

U.S. v. Microsoft RC 52244
by Joel Brinkley and Steve Lohr
read by Randy Davidson
3 cassettes
Two *New York Times* reporters present consolidated two-year coverage of the antitrust case brought by the U.S. against Microsoft in 1998. They explore the government's claim that the software giant prodded computer companies to develop systems around its programs, and they provide background information on the attorneys, Microsoft, and the trial judge. 2001.

Millennials Rising: The Next Great Generation RC 52252
by Neil Howe and William Strauss
read by Gary Tipton
4 cassettes
Using statistics and testimonials, examines the generation of Americans born between 1982 and 2000. The authors argue that since birth the "millennials" have been spurred toward achievement at home and in school and that they are more culturally diverse, hardworking, and effective as community builders than any age group since the Second World War. 2000.

The Dying of Enoch Wallace: Life, Death, and the Changing Brain RC 52261
by Ira B. Black
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
A neuroscientist and cell biologist chronicles a half century of research that led to a reexamination of the functioning and treatment of the brain. Employs a fictionalized account of a banker's battle with Alzheimer's disease to explain unfolding discoveries. Observes that environmental factors can cause the brain to grow and change. 2001.

It Didn't Happen Here: Why Socialism Failed in the United States RC 52264
by Seymour Martin Lipset and Gary Marks
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Two political sociologists explain the rejection of the socialist movement in the United States. Observing the emphasis

on economic centralization in many democratic countries, they attribute its relative insignificance in America to the overall prosperity of the working class, the operations of the two-party system, and legal constraints. 2000.

Hirohito and the Making of Modern Japan RC 52271
by Herbert P. Bix
read by Lou Harpenau
5 cassettes
Explores Emperor Hirohito's role in twentieth-century Japanese politics and developments. Asserts that the monarch helped advance the country's nationalistic agenda. Argues that he actively participated in developing policies guiding the Asia-Pacific war, including the Pearl Harbor campaign and negotiations when Russia attacked Manchuria. National Book Critics Circle Award. 2000.

Body of Secrets: Anatomy of the Ultra-Secret National Security Agency; from the Cold War through the Dawn of a New Century RC 52277
by James Bamford
read by Lou Harpenau
5 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Puzzle Palace (RC 19096)*, the author pursues his investigation of the National Security Agency—"the largest, most secret, and most advanced spy organization on the planet." Bamford analyzes the agency's Vietnam and cold war activities, technological capabilities, and personnel, and argues the need for congressional oversight. Bestseller 2001.

At Any Cost: How Al Gore Tried to Steal the Election RC 52306
by Bill Sammon
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Partisan analysis of the 2000 U.S. presidential election crisis when, for thirty-six days, the results of the race were contested by Democratic candidate Al Gore. Describes how the Gore campaign's efforts in Florida came to an end when George W. Bush's electoral victory was ensured by a Supreme Court decision. Bestseller 2001.

Robert Kennedy: His Life RC 52309
by Evan Thomas
read by Terence Aselford
5 cassettes
Newsweek editor assesses the life and career of the New York senator who was attorney general in the 1960s administration of his brother, President John F. Kennedy. Thomas relies on interviews, personal files, and declassified national security documents; argues that courage and determination contributed to his success; and explores the relationship between the two men. 2000.

The New Disability History: American Perspectives RC 52391
edited by Paul K. Longmore and Lauri Umansky
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Fourteen essays examine disability in the social context of American history. Several essays discuss attitudes toward deafness and blindness specifically, including Kim Nielsen's "Helen Keller and the Politics of Civic Fitness." The collection ends with Richard K. Scotch's historical overview of "American Dis-

ability Policy in the Twentieth Century." 2001.

The Gentleman from New York: Daniel Patrick Moynihan; a Biography
RC 52392
by Godfrey Hodgson
read by Gordon Gould
4 cassettes
Presents an account of the popular senator's life as a politician who championed both liberal and conservative causes. Traces Moynihan's difficult childhood, his educational path, and his varied career in government. Discusses the philosophy behind his landmark 1965 report on African American families. Some strong language. 2000.

The Best American Sports Writing 2000
RC 52399
edited by Dick Schaap
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
Twenty-three pieces celebrating both traditional and fringe sports. Includes "Storm Warning," about yachting; "Enter the Chicken," about cockfighting; "Bottom of the Ninth," about Tiger Stadium; and "How I Won the Minnesota Statehouse, by Jimmy (Big Boy) Valente as Told to Garrison Keillor," about a wrestler who becomes governor. Some strong language. 2000.

The Ralph Nader Reader RC 52407
by Ralph Nader
read by Jake Williams
4 cassettes
Four decades of essays from the consumer advocate and the 2000 presidential nominee of the Green Party. Includes Nader's views on the government, corporations, world trade, consumer rights, legal reform, the media, and citizen action. 2000.

Angel on My Shoulder: An Autobiography
RC 52418
by Natalie Cole
read by Saidah Arrika Ekulona
2 cassettes
Grammy Award-winning singer reveals the hardships and blessings in her life. Recounts her privileged childhood as the daughter of Nat King Cole, her marriages, her substance abuse, and difficulties with her mother. Also relates details about her career and her successful rehabilitation. Some strong language. 2000.

Bellow: A Biography RC 52420
by James Atlas
read by Bill Wallace
5 cassettes
Authorized biography of novelist Saul Bellow, who was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1976. Covers his development as a writer, relationships with other literary figures, and five marriages. Offers insights into Bellow's novels, including *The Adventures of Augie March (RC 15751), Herzog (RC 22553), and Ravelstein (RC 50448)*. 2000.

Rimbaud RC 52428
by Graham Robb
read by Robert Blumenfeld
4 cassettes
Biography of the nineteenth-century French Symbolist poet who abandoned poetry by the age of twenty. Discusses his originality, homosexual affair with Paul Verlaine, self-exile to East Africa, early death, and influence as a rebel artist. Provides insight into his poems, available in *Complete Works: Arthur Rimbaud (RC 50570)*. 2000.

Mao: A Life RC 52446
by Philip Short
read by Peter Johnson
6 cassettes
Chronicles the life and times of the Chinese leader Mao Zedong (1893–1976). Highlights the turmoil of decades of civil war and power struggles within the Communist Party and examines the subsequent failures of the "Great Leap Forward" and the Cultural Revolution. Analyzes the leader's achievements and his continuing legacy. Some strong language. 1999.

The Pushcart Prize XXIV: Best of the Small Presses, 2000 RC 52475
edited by Bill Henderson
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
Anthology of sixty-two selections from alternative literary presses. Contains Amitav Ghosh's essay "The March of the Novel through History: The Testimony of My Grandfather's Bookcase"; the poem "Also Love You," by Reginald Shepherd; and Pam Houston's wistful tale "The Best Girlfriend You Never Had." Some strong language. 2000.

Life Is a Miracle: An Essay against Modern Superstition RC 52481
by Wendell Berry
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
Farmer, poet, novelist, and critic Berry speaks out against exaggerated deference to empiricist science in a concise rebuttal to Edward O. Wilson's *Consilience (RC 46359)*. Berry argues that Wilson is actually proposing a subjugation of art and religion by science rather than the "reconciliation" he claims. 2000.

Slow but Sure: How I Lost 170 Pounds with the Help of God, Family, *Family Circle* Magazine, and Richard Simmons RC 52482
by Sandra Dalka-Prysby
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
Author describes how, at forty-eight and 310 pounds in 1993, she asked *Family Circle* magazine to help her lose 150 pounds and stop smoking. She includes journal entries from the following five years to illustrate her slow but certain progress and the effect it has had on her physically and emotionally. 1999.

Parkinson's Disease: A Complete Guide for Patients and Families RC 52483
by William J. Weiner and others
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Three medical specialists provide up-to-date information on symptoms, diagnosis, treatment, and management of this progressive neurological disease. Covers the different stages of the illness, the motor and nonmotor problems, drug therapy, and the emerging role of surgery. Includes a question and answer chapter. 2001.

Zen Mind, Beginner's Mind RC 52493
by Shunryu Suzuki
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Informal talks on Zen meditation and practice, presented originally by Suzuki in California in 1970. Introduces attitudes and concepts encouraging the Zen way of living. Discusses posture and breathing, non-duality, emptiness, and enlightment, using examples from everyday living and common sense. 1999.

The Money Men: The Real Story of Fundraising's Influence on Political Power in America RC 52497
by Jeffrey H. Birnbaum
read by Tom Burch
2 cassettes
A journalist details the activities of fundraisers and describes donors' impact on American politics. Birnbaum argues that the small elite group has had an increasingly large say in the way the government is run and asserts that the American Association of Retired Persons is the most effective fundraising organization in the nation. 2000.

The Spirituality of Imperfection: Storytelling and the Journey to Wholeness RC 52500
by Ernest Kurtz and Katherine Ketcham
read by Tom Burch
2 cassettes
Describes the beliefs behind Alcoholics Anonymous that do not rely on any specific religious doctrine. Asserts that the twelve-step program evokes "the spiritual realities of humility, gratitude, tolerance, and forgiveness." Explores ancient traditions and cultures that deal with a higher power. 1992.

Cooking without Looking: Food Preparation Methods and Techniques for Visually Handicapped Homemakers RC 52505
by Esther Knudson Tipps
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette (Reissue)
Cooking methods and techniques developed through research at the Texas School for the Blind. In addition to recipes, the book gives basic principles of meal planning, marketing, food preparation, table service, and food storage. 1986.

The Home Problem Solver: The Essential Homeowner's Repair and Maintenance Manual RC 52518
by Don Vandervort
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Provides solutions to more than four hundred home problems and advice on handling emergencies; appliance repair information; house maintenance tips on plumbing, electrical, and cooling/heating systems; interior and exterior surface problems; doors and windows; and when to call for an expert. 2000.

The Best American Travel Writing 2000 RC 52519
edited by Bill Bryson
read by Barry Bernson
3 cassettes
Twenty-five selections from the travel essays and articles published in the year 2000. Each describes a specific moment in time—taking the first drink of the day, breaking down in the middle of the desert, picking up hitchhikers in Cuba, and becoming a hostage while on safari. Some strong language. 2000.

When Genius Failed: The Rise and Fall of Long-Term Capital Management RC 52524
by Roger Lowenstein
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Chronicles how a private Wall Street hedge fund firm developed computer models to deconstruct and minimize investment risk, convinced that its stock market success would never fail. Explains why the Federal Reserve rescued the firm from bankruptcy in 1998. 2000.

Serving the Word: Literalism in America from the Pulpit to the Bench RC 52526
by Vincent Crapanzano
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
An anthropologist and cultural critic examines the pervasiveness of fundamentalism in American society, focusing on literalist interpretations of the Bible and the Constitution. Argues that narrow construction of religious and legal documents tends to erode citizens' freedoms and basic rights. 2000.

Living Well with Macular Degeneration: Practical Tips and Essential Information RC 52530
by Bruce P. Rosenthal and Kate Kelly
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
Dr. Rosenthal, the chief of Low Vision Programs at Lighthouse International, and coauthor Kelly provide a resource guide on age-related macular degeneration. Includes research-based information on the disease, services and assistive technology available, and adaptive techniques and devices for use in everyday life. 2001.

Godfather of the Kremlin: Boris Berezovsky and the Looting of Russia RC 52536
by Paul Klebnikov
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
A Russian expert at *Forbes* profiles Yeltsin's controversial adviser Berezovsky, the business magnate and suspected assassin. Discusses Berezovsky's role among others who profited in the rampant corruption and violence during the 1990s as Russia declined from a nuclear superpower to an impoverished state. 2000.

Bitter Winds: A Memoir of My Years in China's Gulag RC 52537
by Harry Wu and Carolyn Wakeman
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
Personal account by a survivor of nineteen years in Chinese labor reform camps. Wu recalls his childhood in Shanghai, his arrest in 1960, and the physical and mental hardships of his imprisonment. Describes the plight and reactions of fellow prisoners. 1994.

Ghost Light: A Memoir RC 52542
by Frank Rich
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
A former theater critic of the *New York Times* reminisces about his childhood in the Washington, D.C., area in the 1950s and 60s. Recalls how his love for the stage developed and how he coped with family problems by taking refuge in theater productions. Some violence and some strong language. 2000.

Collected Poems RC 52545
by James Merrill
read by Rick Foucheux
4 cassettes
A collection of most of the poetry published in his lifetime by the award-winning American poet James Ingram Merrill (1926–1995), excluding his epic work *The Changing Light at Sandover*. Contains his earliest poems from 1951, all the poems in the ten trade volumes, his translations from several languages, and his final pieces. 2001.

Way Out There in the Blue: Reagan, Star Wars, and the End of the Cold War
RC 52547
by Frances FitzGerald
read by Nanette Savard
6 cassettes
Examines President Reagan's world view and the origins of his "Star Wars" missile defense initiative. Documents the clashes between Secretary of State George Shultz and Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger concerning the program. Concludes with a report on missile defense research after the Reagan years. 2000.

Ron Brown: An Uncommon Life
RC 52552
by Steven A. Holmes
read by Bob Moore
3 cassettes
Traces Ron Brown's youth in Harlem; his years at Middlebury College; his positions as chief lobbyist of the National Urban League, partner in the Patton Boggs law firm, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, and secretary of commerce; and his untimely death. Discusses his efforts to expand America's export market. 2000.

The Most of P.G. Wodehouse RC 52561
by P.G. Wodehouse
read by David Cutler
5 cassettes
Collection of stories by the British humorist, featuring golf, the Drones Club, Mr. Mulliner, Stanley Featherstonehaugh Ukridge, and Jeeves. Also includes the novel *Quick Service*. 1960.

The Wealth of Choices: How the New Economy Puts Power in Your Hands and Money in Your Pocket RC 52562
by Alan Murray
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Wall Street Journal Washington bureau chief asserts that the globalization, information explosion, deregulation, and digitization embodied by the Internet have produced a new economic system in the United States. Includes tips on how to thrive in the altered environment, which features individual empowerment, greater consumer clout, and business accountability. 2000.

A Year in Van Nuys RC 52568
by Sandra Tsing Loh
read by Nanette Savard
2 cassettes
Downwardly mobile thirty-five-year-old's witty account of a year in suburban Van Nuys, California. Through four seasons, from the "Winter of Our Discontent" to the "Fall of Our Dearest Expectations," she muses on her brushes with fame, a $300-an-hour therapist, a too-thin and well-off sister, and her musician spouse. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Troubleshooting Your PC RC 52573
by M. David Stone and Alfred Poor
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
Basic information on diagnosing and solving common personal computer problems. Provides information on crashing systems, disk drives, display screens, joysticks, error messages, start-ups, keyboards, and printer and mouse difficulties. Published by Microsoft. Explains reinstalling Windows. 2001.

Protect Yourself Online RC 52574
by Matthew Danda
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Advice on safeguarding one's privacy and security while using the Internet. Although the author concentrates on Microsoft products, a general overview of the concepts discussed may be drawn from the information provided. Covers viruses, online shopping, e-mail and chat rooms, downloading, securing and backing up files, and spamming. 2001.

Bowling Alone: The Collapse and Revival of American Community RC 52575
by Robert D. Putnam
read by Butch Hoover
5 cassettes
Harvard professor asserts that citizen reluctance to join community organizations and volunteer groups has caused the decline of civic engagement in the U.S. Putnam presents statistical data supporting his analysis and gives recommendations for rebuilding social bonds. 2000.

Darkness in El Dorado: How Scientists and Journalists Devastated the Amazon RC 52576
by Patrick Tierney
read by Bruce Huntey
4 cassettes
An indictment of anthropologists and the media who have exploited the native Yanomami people of Brazil and Venezuela. Claims that ethnographer Napoleon Chagnon, who has published provocative accounts of the rainforest dwellers, unethically disrupted their culture and heedlessly introduced infection. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

Multiple Chemical Sensitivity: A Survival Guide RC 52583
by Pamela Reed Gibson
read by Jacinda Bronaugh
4 cassettes
Defines the illness called multiple chemical sensitivity, chemical illness, environmental illness, or total allergy, among other names. Discusses symptoms, conventional as well as alternative treatments, food, and environmental concerns. Looks at psychological factors, practical considerations, and disability issues, including a discussion of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Contains information on "Gulf War illness." 2000.

Job Strategies for People with Disabilities: Enable Yourself for Today's Job Market RC 52584
by Melanie Astaire Witt
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
A guide for job-seekers with disabilities who, under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, are entitled to compete for jobs on an equal basis with the nondisabled. Witt offers suggestions on identifying suitable jobs, uncovering marketable skills, creating standout resumes, understanding accommodation requirements, and interviewing successfully. 1992.

Down These Mean Streets RC 52585
by Piri Thomas
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Thirtieth-anniversary edition of the classic autobiography about growing up in New York's Spanish Harlem during the depression. Poverty led Piri into a life of drugs, crime, and prison. After being rehabilitated, he dedicated his life to helping similar youth. Afterword

(1997) by the author. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1967.

Bravo! Miss Brown: A World without Sight and Sound RC 52603
by Joan Mactavish
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
Biography of Mae Brown (1935–1973), who was the first deaf-blind person to graduate from a Canadian university and a counselor at the Canadian National Institute for the Blind. Her college tutor chronicles Brown's family, education, social and professional life, and triumphs and disappointments. 2000.

Boltzmann's Atom: The Great Debate That Launched a Revolution in Physics RC 52608
by David Lindley
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
A portrait of the Austrian physicist Ludwig Boltzmann (1844–1906), a pioneering proponent of atomic theory. Describes the controversy provoked by his perspectives, including the opposition of philosopher and physicist Ernst Mach, who denied the existence of atoms. Examines Boltzmann's legacy to modern theoretical physics. 2001.

On Any Given Day RC 52610
by Joe Martin and Ross Yockey
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
The author, after being diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (Lou Gehrig's disease), offers inspirational advice on living with this condition. With a deep faith in God and the help of his friends and family, Martin raises money for research and continues to work. 2000.

The Embrace: A True Vampire Story RC 52615
by Aphrodite Jones
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
Account of a gruesome homicide in central Florida. When Rick and Ruth Wendorf were murdered in November 1996, sixteen-year-old Rod Ferrell, the leader of a gothic vampire cult, was charged. Among the four teenage followers arrested with Ferrell was the Wendorfs' daughter, Heather. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

Into the House of the Ancestors: Inside the New Africa RC 52619
by Karl Maier
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
A journalist describes how Africans are responding creatively to changing socioeconomic challenges, observing that, from the vantage of the late 1990s, "sub-Saharan Africa . . . looks and feels very different" than it did ten years ago. Depicts ordinary people whose efforts are reforming the continent. 1998.

Telecosm: How Infinite Bandwidth Will Revolutionize Our World RC 52623
by George Gilder
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
A Senior Fellow at the Discovery Institute predicts a revolutionary era of unlimited bandwidth, or a "world enabled and defined by unfamiliar communications technology." Gilder foresees the end of the computer age and anticipates how additional communication designs

would affect the global community's social and economic wealth. 2000.

Black, White, and Jewish: Autobiography of a Shifting Self RC 52624
by Rebecca Walker
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
The daughter of divorced African American author Alice Walker and Jewish civil rights lawyer Mel Leventhal recalls her unhappy childhood. Shuttled between two homes and cultures and feeling neglected, Rebecca turned to drugs and sex for comfort before escaping to Yale University. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

A Treasury of Royal Scandals: The Shocking True Stories of History's Wickedest, Weirdest, Most Wanton Kings, Queens, Tsars, Popes, and Emperors RC 52663
by Michael Farquhar
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
This provocative look into the private lives of public figures offers a collection of vignettes on royal misbehavior through the ages. Includes such figures as Peter the Great, Louis XIV, Henry VIII, Queen Mary, Tiberius Caesar, and several popes. Bestseller 2001.

The Metaphysical Club RC 52665
by Louis Menand
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
An English professor and journalist explores the origin and development of American pragmatism. Menand charts the lives and ideas of William James, Charles Sanders Peirce, Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr., and John Dewey and explores the consequences for American culture of pragmatism's central tenet—that experience is the decisive test of truth. 2001.

The Other Side of Ethel Mertz: The Life Story of Vivian Vance RC 52671
by Frank Castelluccio and Alvin Walker
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
A biography of the nightclub singer and stage actress who became famous for her role as Lucille Ball's sidekick on the *I Love Lucy* television series. Documents her personal life and extensive acting experience before her small-screen debut and her relationship with the well-known cast. Foreword by Robert Osborne. Some strong language. 1998.

Sports Guy: In Search of Corkball, Warroad Hockey, Hooters Golf, Tiger Woods, and the Big, Big Game RC 52674
by Charles P. Pierce
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Sportswriter and National Public Radio commentator's articles about athletes and a variety of sports. Includes a notorious 1997 piece on Tiger Woods, father and son football players Peyton and Archie Manning, hockey towns, jewelry worn by men, outspoken mothers, and tragic accidents. Foreword by Roy Blount Jr. Some strong language. 2001.

Letters from the Earth RC 52691
by Mark Twain
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Letters, sketches, and satirical pieces written throughout Twain's career and published posthumously after approval from his daughter, Clara, was granted in 1962. Includes a letter from Satan de-

scribing the new creation called Earth, a children's story titled "A Cat-Tale," and a description of a nightmare in "The Great Dark." Some strong language. 1939.

Wanderings: Chaim Potok's History of the Jews RC 52695
by Chaim Potok
read by Ken Kliban
4 cassettes (Reissue)
A panoramic account of four thousand years of Jewish history. The author, an ordained rabbi and bestselling novelist, draws on the Bible; writings of the ancient scribes, poets, and chroniclers; and findings of archaeologists. Potok's work demonstrates the vigor and rich variety of Jewish life. Bestseller 1978.

Chaucer's England RC 52700
by Diana Childress
read by John Horton
1 cassette
An account of English society during the fourteenth century, when Geoffrey Chaucer (1340?–1400) wrote *The Canterbury Tales (RC 31894)*. Describes everyday life, including school, family, science, religion, amusements, and clothing, as well as war and politics and the effects of the Black Death. For junior and senior high and older readers. 2000.

Silver Rights RC 52703
by Constance Curry
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
A legal scholar weaves interviews, letters, and public documents to record the ordeal of the Carter family, who sent seven of its thirteen children to desegregate an all-white school system in 1965. She examines the African American sharecroppers' courage and endurance against the background of their racially charged Sunflower County, Mississippi, home. 1995.

To an Unknown God: Religious Freedom on Trial RC 52705
by Garrett Epps
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Chronicles a conflict between the Native American Church's use of the mood-altering drug peyote in religious rituals and state and federal narcotics statutes. Examines the court decisions involving a Klamath Indian who lost his job and was denied unemployment benefits after participating in the contested ceremonies. 2001.

The Burden and the Glory: The Hopes and Purposes of President Kennedy's Second and Third Years in Office as Revealed in His Public Statements and Addresses RC 52707
by John F. Kennedy
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A selection of President Kennedy's speeches and pronouncements, arranged chronologically and by subject, on such diverse topics as peace, Latin America, civil rights, and other domestic issues. Includes Kennedy's undelivered Dallas address. 1964.

Francis of Assisi RC 52708
by Adrian House
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
House portrays the life of the medieval Italian saint Francis of Assisi, chronicling his youth, his conversion, and his establishment of the Franciscan Order. Discusses Francis's ability to communicate with birds, the appearance of the

stigmata on his body, and his relationship with St. Clare. 2000.

A Sand County Almanac: And Sketches Here and There RC 52718
by Aldo Leopold
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
The "father of wildlife conservation" in America describes his family's relationship to their Wisconsin acreage in this collection of sketches and essays. A forester by training, Leopold calls for land reform and conservation. He examines the ethics of ecology, and urges protection of wildlife and respect for the environment. 1949.

The Secret Knowledge of Water: Discovering the Essence of the American Desert RC 52722
by Craig Childs
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
A desert born and bred naturalist explores the meaning of water in the southwestern United States. On a series of treks, he examines landscapes carved by flash floods in a region where people can die of thirst or drowning. 2000.

Pius XII and the Second World War: According to the Archives of the Vatican RC 52734
by Pierre Blet
read by Frank Coffee
3 cassettes
An account of Pope Pius XII's role and relationship with the contesting world leaders during World War II. Using primary sources from the Vatican's diplomatic archives, the author describes the pontiff's private maneuvering, public statements, and efforts to protect Jews and other threatened peoples. 1999.

Breaking Apart: A Memoir of Divorce RC 52780
by Wendy Swallow
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
A journalist portrays the difficulties of her divorce after twelve years of marriage and a child-custody battle over her two sons. Recalls her happy dreams as a newlywed, her fantasies about divorce, the actual destructive process, and her adjustment to joint custody and single parenthood. Some strong language. 2001.

Don't Let Death Ruin Your Life: A Practical Guide to Reclaiming Happiness after the Death of a Loved One RC 52782
by Jill Brooke
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
The author advises overcoming grief by transforming it into positive action. Discusses how children, men, and women mourn differently; explains when to seek professional help; and offers suggestions for remembering a loved one. 2001.

Supreme Injustice: How the High Court Hijacked Election 2000 RC 52786
by Alan M. Dershowitz
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
A prominent attorney comments on the Supreme Court's decision in Bush v. Gore that stopped the contested vote-counting in Florida and settled the 2000 election. He criticizes the decision as partisan, discusses the justices' motives, and looks at some of their earlier opinions, which he maintains contradict their arguments in this one. Bestseller 2001.

The Girl in the Picture: The Story of Kim Phuc, the Photograph, and the Vietnam War RC 52787
by Denise Chong
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
The life of Vietnamese Kim Phuc, who at age nine was nearly killed by a misdirected napalm air strike by U.S. forces in 1972. Asserts that a much-publicized photograph of the fleeing, terrified girl —with skin and clothing incinerated— helped turn public opinion against the war in Vietnam. 1999.

The Truth Is . . . : My Life in Love and Music RC 52788
by Melissa Etheridge
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
The autobiography of a rock star, born in Kansas in 1961, who began writing songs at the age of ten. Describes her career as well as her personal life, which includes coming out as a lesbian and the birth of her partner's two children, fathered by singer David Crosby. Bestseller 2001.

The Thinking Fan's Guide to Baseball RC 52790
by Leonard Koppett
read by Bruce Huntey
4 cassettes
A revised edition of the 1967 baseball classic explains the principles of pitching, batting, game tactics, and strategies, and the relationships between players, spectators, and the press. Koppett has added discussion of team expansions, playoffs, designated hitters, unions, cable television, and night games. 2001.

One Good Turn: A Natural History of the Screwdriver and the Screw RC 52791
by Witold Rybczynski
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
The author recalls the process of determining which tool should be designated the best of the millennium for an essay in the *New York Times*. After he settled on the screwdriver, invented around 1800, his curiosity propelled him into further research on an earlier creation, the screw itself. 2000.

Beyond the Game: The Collected Sportswriting of Gary Smith RC 52798
by Gary Smith
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Sports Illustrated articles about the personal lives of sports figures. In "Ali and His Entourage," Smith interviews people who traveled with the boxer. In "Shadow of a Nation," he chronicles the comeback of an alcoholic Crow basketball player. Some strong language. 2000.

The Other Side of Eden: Hunters, Farmers, and the Shaping of the World RC 52799
by Hugh Brody
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes
An anthropologist's impassioned account of the world's few surviving hunting cultures. Drawing on works of linguists and historians and recalling personal experiences living among indigenous societies in Arctic Canada, Brody uses the Book of Genesis as a paradigm to explain the practices and systems of belief that distinguish hunters from farmers. 2000.

A Woman's Choice: Living Through Your Problems from Confusion to Peace
RC 52803
by Eugenia Price
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Advises women to cope with difficult situations by thinking them through and trusting in God. Illustrates eight common problems and offers possible solutions. Offers advice on achieving inner peace. 1962.

Surviving Galeras RC 52807
by Stanley Williams and Fen Montaigne
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
The volcanologist who led the expedition to the Columbian volcano Galeras when it erupted in 1993 recounts his personal perspective of events and the subsequent physical and mental effects. An experienced field worker, Williams discusses procedures and his team members, six of whom died in the blast. 2001.

The Red Hot Typewriter: The Life and Times of John D. MacDonald RC 52817
by Hugh Merrill
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
A biography of the prolific author John D. MacDonald (1916–1986), creator of the character Travis McGee. Following trends in the publishing industry, MacDonald's work first appeared in pulp magazines, then as original paperbacks, and finally as bestsellers. Traces his development as a writer as well as his private life. 2000. Bestseller 2000.

Pentimento: A Book of Portraits
RC 52818
by Lillian Hellman
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In this follow-up to her memoir *An Unfinished Woman (RC 25375)*, playwright Hellman reminisces about men and women who influenced her intellectual development. One of the portraits, "Julia," celebrates the moral courage of a beloved friend who worked to save victims of the Nazis in 1937 Europe. 1973.

First Mothers: The Women Who Shaped the Presidents RC 52821
by Bonnie Angelo
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Biographical sketches of mothers credited with shaping the characters of eleven twentieth-century U.S. presidents. Includes Mattie Truman, a Confederate who refused to sleep in Lincoln's bedroom; Dorothy Ford, who saved her infant son from an abusive father; and the flamboyant Virginia Clinton Kelley, whose "life was too much like a country song." 2000.

The Summer of the Great-Grandmother: The Crosswicks Journal, Book 2
RC 52831
by Madeleine L'Engle
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes (Reissue)
L'Engle describes her ninety-year-old mother's plunge into senility during her final summer at Crosswicks, the family home. As she recalls this fourth four-generation season, L'Engle reviews her parent's rich life and shows how her mother influenced the entire family. 1974.

Postville: A Clash of Cultures in Heartland America RC 52833
by Stephen G. Bloom
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
A study of misunderstandings and turmoil that followed the 1987 establishment of a kosher slaughterhouse in rural Iowa by a group of Hasidic Jews. Bloom, a secular Jew from San Francisco, sees human foibles on both sides as he explores the gradual accommodation between local farmers and newcomers. 2000.

Carl Sagan's Cosmic Connection: An Extraterrestrial Perspective RC 52834
by Carl Sagan
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
The astronomer and exobiologist writes about the Earth, the solar system, and beyond in a series of anecdotal essays published in 1973. His message is that humans are not the only intelligent beings in the universe. Epilog by David Morrison from NASA; additional commentary by Freeman J. Dyson and Ann Druyan. 2000.

Steve Allen's Private Joke File RC 52837
by Steve Allen
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
The acclaimed comedian, entertainer, and early talk show host relates his favorite jokes, one-liners, anecdotes, limericks, quotes, and zingers gleaned from a career spanning more than fifty years in radio, film, and television. 2000.

Book Business: Publishing; Past, Present, and Future RC 52844
by Jason Epstein
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
A former editor at Doubleday and Random House recounts the development of publishing during his fifty-year career and recalls authors and publishers he has known personally. He also discusses the challenges the industry faces in the future, including the effects of the Internet. 2001.

Journey to Ixtlan: The Lessons of Don Juan RC 52862
by Carlos Castaneda
read by Chris Parente
2 cassettes
A record of the author's initiation into the mysteries of sorcery through the teachings of Don Juan, the Yaqui Indian sorcerer. Castaneda tells of approaching wisdom through hallucinogens and physical and mental exercises, and describes some of his visions and insight. 1972.

Relativity: The Special and the General Theory RC 52877
by Albert Einstein
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
Scientist Albert Einstein presents his theory of relativity—the measurement and study of space and time—for the layman who "is not conversant with the mathematical apparatus of theoretical physics." Originally published in 1916. This fifteenth edition includes five appendixes. 1952.

The Map That Changed the World: William Smith and the Birth of Modern Geology RC 52894
by Simon Winchester
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
The author of *The Professor and the Madman (RC 46906)* examines the struggle of William Smith to publish the first geological map of England in 1815 and the delayed recognition of his feat because of class discrimination. Discusses Smith's singular contributions to science and the hardships he endured. Bestseller 2001.

The Wild Blue: The Men and Boys Who Flew the B-24s over Germany RC 52895
by Stephen E. Ambrose
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
A historian describes the B-24 bomber missions over Nazi-occupied Europe during World War II, recounting the training of the crews and celebrating their skill. Ambrose highlights the pilots' contribution to the Allied victory, focusing on 1972 presidential candidate George McGovern's experiences as a B-24 pilot in the last months of the war. Bestseller 2001.

The Prayer of Jabez for Teens RC 52896
by Bruce Wilkinson
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Offers spiritual counsel for teenagers. Links an Old Testament prayer to Christian teaching, explaining how the prayer can enrich daily life. For junior and senior high readers. Bestseller 2001.

Alexandra: The Last Tsarina RC 52906
by Carolly Erickson
read by Suzanne Toren
3 cassettes
An account of the Russian empress who was the granddaughter of Britain's Queen Victoria. Describes Alexandra's unhappy childhood; her determination to marry Nicholas, the man she loved; her struggle to support him emotionally; her desire to produce a healthy male heir; and her connection with Rasputin. 2001.

Diana's Boys: William and Harry and the Mother They Loved RC 52908
by Christopher Andersen
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
Portraits of the princes William and Harry, with and without their mother, Diana, Princess of Wales. Andersen describes the boys' development from hellions to seemingly well-adjusted adolescents, and the roles of Prince Charles, Queen Elizabeth II, and Camilla Parker Bowles after Diana's death. He also looks at the women in William's life. Bestseller 2001.

Freedom from Fibromyalgia: The Five Week Program Proven to Conquer Pain RC 52953
by Nancy Selfridge and Franklynn Peterson
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
The authors, fibromyalgia patients, posit that this medical condition that affects muscles, ligaments, and tendons is a mind-body disorder that can be alleviated using mental exercises. Suggestions include meditating, journaling, and other stress-reducing activities. 2001.

Strength and Power for Young Athletes RC 52955
by Avery D. Faigenbaum and Wayne L. Westcott
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
How to assist children from ages seven to fifteen with strength-building exercises using free weights, weight machines, rubber cords, medicine balls, and body weight to develop every muscle group. Emphasizes sound training principles, injury prevention, and nutrition. Offers age-group programs and sports conditioning for specific games. 2000.

Mulholland's Book of Magic RC 52956
by John Mulholland
read by Rick Foucheux
3 cassettes
Explains how to perform dozens of simple magic tricks developed by the author. Suggests pleasing an audience by using psychology, props, and trained assistants. Includes tricks specifically for entertaining children. 1963.

Computer and Web Resources for People with Disabilities: A Guide to Exploring Today's Assistive Technology RC 52968
by Alliance for Technology Access
read by Erik Synnestvedt
3 cassettes
Provides an overview of the hardware, software, and other considerations surrounding computer resources for people with disabilities. Includes personal stories about using technology in daily life. Discusses braille displays, braille embossers and translators, and speech synthesizers, among other products. Foreword by Stephen Hawking. Third edition. 2000.

A Feel for the Game: To Brookline and Back RC 53003
by Ben Crenshaw
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
A champion golfer from Austin, Texas, reminisces about his life on the course and off. Describes his early mentors, family life, and career from the 1970s to the 1990s, culminating in his captaincy of the American team in its 1999 Ryder Cup victory at Brookline, Massachusetts. 2001.

How to Make Black America Better: Leading African Americans Speak Out RC 53011
compiled by Tavis Smiley
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Talk-show host and national radio commentator Smiley presents a collection of essays from twenty-eight black celebrities, addressing issues they view as vital to the African American community. Suggests a variety of solutions and challenges concerning family, responsibility, education, health, economics, the church's role, and the establishment of a legacy. 2001.

A Portrait of Egypt: A Journey through the World of Militant Islam RC 53014
by Mary Anne Weaver
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
A journalist with more than twenty years of experience in the Middle East, Weaver provides insights into the public and private aspects of a society where militant Islam is on the rise. Contains observations on Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, the blind Sheikh Omar Abdel-Rahman, and the Nobel laureate Naguib Mahfouz. 1999.

Ava's Man RC 53019
by Rick Bragg
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
The Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist continues the personal history he began in *All Over but the Shoutin' (RC 46142)*. Focuses on his mother's disadvantaged childhood in Appalachia during the Great Depression and recounts the life of her beloved father, Charlie Bundrum, still vividly remembered by relatives. Bestseller 2001.

Does America Need a Foreign Policy? Toward a Diplomacy for the Twenty-First Century RC 53026
by Henry Kissinger
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
The Republican Party's elder statesman surveys and critiques U.S. foreign policy around the world in chapters devoted to geographical sectors: Europe and Russia, the Western Hemisphere, Asia, the Middle East, and Africa. Discusses the politics of globalization, NAFTA, and traditional American stands on peace and justice. Bestseller 2001.

Terrorism RC 53034
by Ann G. Gaines
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Focuses on terrorism in the Middle East and how it affects the United States. Discusses the origins and motivations of the organizations and individuals involved. Explores how America can combat violence without impinging on traditional freedoms. For senior high and older readers. 1999.

Living a Life That Matters: Resolving the Conflict between Conscience and Success RC 53046
by Harold S. Kushner
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
The author of *When Bad Things Happen to Good People (RC 48900)* recommends that people stop judging success by fame, power, and wealth, and measure their achievement by the positive difference they make in the world. Advises finding a meaningful life through family, friendship, and acts of generosity. Bestseller 2001.

Foley Is Good: And the Real World Is Faker than Wrestling RC 53068
by Mick Foley
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
Continues superstar wrestler Foley's account of his career and personal life, begun in *Mankind, Have a Nice Day! (RC 49315)*. Discusses his rôle as a World Wrestling Federation commissioner and some of the problems in the sport, including "backyard wrestling" and drugs. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Pete Seeger's Storytelling Book RC 53075
by Pete Seeger and Paul DuBois Jacobs
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Veteran folksinger Seeger and poet Jacobs offer advice on becoming a storyteller by embellishing old stories, historical tales, and songs, as well as anecdotes from one's own personal history. Includes examples from Seeger's vast repertoire. 2000.

Penn and Teller's How to Play in Traffic RC 53078
by Penn Jillette
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
A pair of professional illusionists intersperse descriptions of how to perform magic tricks, practical jokes, and pranks throughout this travelog of their favorite wacky tourist attractions. Some strong language. 1997.

Cassettes Fiction

What Janie Found RC 50882
by Caroline B. Cooney
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
After her "father" is incapacitated by a stroke, Janie feels betrayed on discovering that he has been sending money to his real daughter, Hannah, who kidnapped Janie years ago. Janie is determined to find and confront Hannah about the past. Sequel to *Voice on the Radio (RC 47855)*. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

Darksong Rising: The Spellsong Cycle, Book 3 RC 51327
by L.E. Modesitt
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
Anna, a sorceress and regent of Defalk, copes with challenges to her leadership and tries to resolve some noblemen's distaste for obeying a woman. She must also decide whether to support the rightful heir to the throne. Sequel to *The Spellsong War (RC 51114)*. Some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 1999.

Irresistible RC 51519
by Ethan Black
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
Wealthy sex crimes detective Conrad Voort is investigating New York City's first female serial killer. Even his ex-girlfriend Camilla, a television journalist, is a suspect. And Voort himself is an unwitting target. Sequel to *The Broken Hearts Club (RC 49227)*. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

Count Julian RC 51529
by Juan Goytisolo
read by Peter Gil
2 cassettes
The author, considered one of Spain's great modern novelists, creates a deranged exile's stream-of-consciousness diatribe against his homeland under Franco. The protagonist, obsessed with the legendary Count Julian who betrayed his homeland to the invading Moors in the Middle Ages, dreams of another invasion in which destruction will be total. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1974.

Meely LaBauve RC 51539
by Ken Wells
read by Rick Foucheux
1 cassette
Fifteen-year-old Emile "Meely" LaBauve leads an adventurous life in the bayous with his beloved gator-hunting Cajun daddy. But Meely ends up in jail and his father on the lam after the latest of their numerous run-ins with the law. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

Moth Smoke RC 51540
by Mohsin Hamid
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
When Daru's childhood friend Ozi and his wife Mumtaz return to Pakistan from New York City, the friendship dissolves. The affluent Ozi is moving with the elite while Daru is spiraling downward—losing his bank job, using and dealing drugs, and having a reckless affair with Mumtaz. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

The Binding Chair; or, A Visit from the Foot Emancipation Society RC 51740
by Kathryn Harrison
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Shanghai, 1899. Beautiful Chinese courtesan May marries Arthur Cohen after he becomes fascinated with her bound feet. Arthur's young niece Alice soon takes the place of the daughter May has given up. But Alice's mother resents her opium-smoking sister-in-law's influence. Explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2000.

Scandalous RC 51766
by Karen Robards
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
England, 1810. Lady Gabriella Banning learns her half-brother, Marcus, is dead. She fears she and her sisters will become destitute because their cousin inherits the title. Gabby develops a scheme to save them. Then someone shows up claiming to be Marcus. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Temptation RC 51895
by Jude Deveraux
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
New York, 1909. Temperance O'Neil, twenty-nine, has become quite famous for her work as a women's rights activist. But suddenly she finds herself forced to move to Edinburgh, where she will serve as housekeeper for her new stepfather's nephew while she also finds him a wife. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2000.

Music and Silence RC 51974
by Rose Tremain
read by Anne Flosnik
4 cassettes
In 1629, English lute player Peter Claire, twenty-seven, arrives in Denmark to become part of King Christian IV's Royal Orchestra. When Peter falls in love with the king's estranged wife's handmaiden, he realizes he has come to a place where light and dark, good and evil, and music and silence wage war. Whitbread Award. 1999.

The Vintner's Luck RC 51976
by Elizabeth Knox
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
France, 1808. Denied marriage to the woman he loves, Sobran Jodeau takes two bottles of his family's wine and heads for the hills. There he meets Xas, a male "fallen angel," and concludes that Xas has been sent to guide him. But Xas falls in love with Sobran. Some descriptions of sex. 1998.

The Crook Factory RC 51978
by Dan Simmons
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
Ernest Hemingway sets up a counter-

espionage ring, the Crook Factory, in Cuba in 1942 and uses his boat, *Pilar*, to lure submarines. These fictionalized World War II adventures related by FBI agent Joe Lucas are eventually linked to Hemingway's suicide in 1961. Strong language. 1999.

The Tide of Life RC 51981
by Catherine Cookson
read by Corrie James
3 cassettes (Reissue)
In northern England at the turn of the century, sixteen-year-old Emily's kindly widowed employer—and suitor—dies suddenly, and the girl must take a housekeeping post to support her consumptive sister. Although Larry Birch abuses his invalid wife, Emily comes to care for him. And she becomes entangled in the family secrets. Some strong language. 1976.

House of Smoke RC 51987
by J.F. Freedman
read by Faith Potts
4 cassettes
Santa Barbara private investigator Kate Blanchard is hired by Laura Sparks to solve the mystery surrounding the death of her lover while he was in jail. But uncovering secret schemes in Laura's wealthy, politically powerful family puts Kate's life in danger. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1996.

Snow Ghost: Journeys of the Stranger, Book 7 RC 52054
by Al Lacy
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Quiet Thunder (RC 52053)*, John Stranger is in Butte City, Montana, where three years ago Payton Sturgis was hanged for murder. Sturgis had vowed to return and kill all who brought him to justice. Now those people are dying. Bible-toting Stranger is their only hope. Some violence. 1997.

Invasion of Privacy RC 52074
by Perri O'Shaughnessy
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
Lake Tahoe attorney Nina Reilly is defending her son's birth father, Kurt Scott, against a homicide charge. Coincidentally, Nina once worked for Kurt's first wife, filmmaker Terry London. Now Kurt is the main suspect in Terry's murder. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1996.

Wives and Daughters RC 52145
by Elizabeth Gaskell
read by Barbara Caruso
6 cassettes
Hollingford, England; 1800s. When the village doctor, Mr. Gibson, decides to remarry, his only daughter, Molly, is resentful but becomes friends with her stepsister, Cynthia. The two young ladies' social circle includes the family of Squire Hamley, who has two sons—Roger and Osborne. 1866.

Master of the Crossroads RC 52156
by Madison Smartt Bell
read by Frank Coffee
6 cassettes
Three years into the 1790s Haitian slave revolt, Toussaint L'Ouverture rises through the ranks, becoming the island's supreme military commander. Episodes from the lives of ordinary Haitians caught in revolutionary turmoil punctuate the chronicle of Toussaint's struggle. Sequel to *All Souls' Rising (RC 42403)*. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2000.

Dying for Chocolate RC 52160
by Diane Mott Davidson
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
To escape from her abusive ex-husband, caterer Goldy Bear accepts a summer job cooking for a retired general. After one of her suitors dies in a car accident, she joins another, Detective Tom Schulz, in the investigation. And soon her son, Arch, is in danger. Some violence and some strong language. 1992.

South Wind RC 52216
by Don Coldsmith
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes
A series of historical vignettes portrays the challenges faced by pro-slavery and pro-emancipation settlers in the Kansas Territory before the Civil War. The connected episodes present a saga of westward expansion through 1876. Sequel to *Tallgrass (RC 46545)*. 1998.

Independent People: An Epic RC 52256
by Halldór Laxness
read by Bruce Huntey
4 cassettes
A saga of Icelandic peasant life in which Bjartur, a stubborn sheep farmer, struggles to buy and maintain his own land. An independent man, he outlives several wives to raise his brood, including an adopted daughter. By the 1955 Nobel Prize winner. Some strong language. 1946.

Gilded Splendour RC 52265
by Rosalind Laker
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Carpenter's apprentice Thomas Chippendale first met Isabella Woodleigh when he made a chair for her to use while convalescing in Yorkshire. Each had a dream of the future: he to become a renowned carpenter; she to become his patroness. Neither foresees the heartache they will endure. Some descriptions of sex. 1982.

Dead and Gone: An Inspector Luke Thanet Novel RC 52267
by Dorothy Simpson
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Detective Inspector Thanet and his partner, Lineham, investigate the death of the wife of ambitious barrister Ralph Mintar, whose daughter also disappeared under curious circumstances four years ago. The two policemen soon uncover extramarital affairs, incest, blackmail, and more murders among the wealthy. Meanwhile, Thanet becomes a grandfather. 1999.

Last Puzzle and Testament RC 52268
by Parnell Hall
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Puzzle Lady Cora Felton is judging a crossword contest devised by a now-deceased heiress to make her repugnant relatives compete for her fortune. As the rivals scramble to solve clues, two murders occur. It falls to Cora's niece, Sherry, to find the killer. Sequel to *A Clue for the Puzzle Lady (RC 49605)*. 2000.

Cane River RC 52281
by Lalita Tademy
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
Tademy's fictionalized account of her maternal ancestors, from 1834 to the 1950s, begins with her enslaved great-great-great-great-grandmother Elisabeth and continues with three generations of successively lighter descendents. She de-

scribes these women's struggle for freedom and justice on a Creole plantation in Cane River, Louisiana. Some violence. Bestseller 2001.

A Traitor to Memory RC 52293
by Elizabeth George
read by Mitzi Friedlander
6 cassettes
Is there a connection between a woman killed in a hit-and-run accident on a rainy night in London and a violinist who has recently lost his ability to play? It is up to Detective Inspector Lynley to solve the mystery. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller 2001.

The Stalking Horse RC 52314
by Miriam Grace Monfredo
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Seneca Falls, New York; 1861. Librarian Glynis Tryon's niece Bronwen joins Pinkerton's Detective Agency and is sent to Montgomery, Alabama. Undercover, Bronwen overhears a plot to assassinate newly elected president Abraham Lincoln in Baltimore. She escapes and telegraphs her aunt for help. 1998.

I Do, I Do, I Do RC 52398
by Maggie Osborne
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
1897. Three wealthy spinsters—Juliette, Clara, and Zoe—vow revenge when they discover that their new husband, Jean Jacques Villette, is a bigamist who absconded with each of their fortunes. But while tracking the scoundrel to Alaska, each of them finds her true love. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

Scandalmonger RC 52400
by William Safire
read by Jim Zeiger
4 cassettes
Political scandals of the late eighteenth century are revealed by James Thomson Callender, a Scottish fugitive and journalist hired to write incendiary articles regarding men of power. Selecting Alexander Hamilton and Thomas Jefferson as his primary targets, he describes their alleged sexual indiscretions. 2000.

The Color of Death RC 52408
by Bruce Alexander
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
London, 1772. A rash of home invasions and murders occurs, apparently committed by black men. After blind magistrate Sir John Fielding is wounded, his assistant, Jeremy Proctor, tracks down the gang with the help of the Bow Street Runners. 2000.

Tamsin RC 52426
by Peter S. Beagle
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Arriving in England to live with her new family on a rundown farm, thirteen-year-old Jenny encounters the ghost of a young girl who has haunted the ancient estate for many years. Before she can help the ghost find rest, Jenny faces danger that changes her life. Some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 1999.

Grasshopper RC 52427
by Barbara Vine
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
Young Clodagh Brown loves heights but suffers from claustrophobia. As a teen-

ager she climbed electrical pylons until an accident claimed her boyfriend's life. While in London, Clodagh joins a group of eccentrics who enjoy climbing rooftops. But tragedy strikes again. Some violence and some strong language. 2000.

The Redemption of Althalus RC 52429
by David Eddings and Leigh Eddings
read by J.P. Linton
5 cassettes
Althalus, an unrepentant rogue, accepts employment from a stranger to steal a book from the House at the End of the World. But when he encounters a goddess in the form of a cat, he learns that he must save humanity from a god determined to destroy the universe. 2000.

St. Thomas's Eve RC 52431
by Jean Plaidy
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Thomas More, a scholarly lawyer, reluctantly answers the call to serve King Henry VIII. But the king decides to divorce, initiating a religious conflict that resounds throughout the country. The More family receives riches and honors, but Thomas cannot forsake his conviction that divorce is a sacrilege. 1954.

Forever Amber RC 52434
by Kathleen Winsor
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
6 cassettes (Reissue)
England, 1660. Beautiful, young, illegitimate Amber St. Clare falls in love and flees to London with Lord Carlton. Pregnant and abandoned, she embarks on a life of ill repute—eventually becoming King Charles II's mistress. But she never forgets Carlton. 2000 foreword by Barbara Taylor Bradford. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1944.

The Fourth Hand RC 52449
by John Irving
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Television journalist and addicted womanizer Patrick Wallingford loses his left hand to circus lions in India, on camera. But it is a trip to Japan that changes his life—that and having a hand-transplant with visitation rights for the donor's widow. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Rise to Rebellion RC 52454
by Jeff Shaara
read by Robert Sams
5 cassettes
Historical fiction about the American Revolution, covering the period from the Boston Massacre in March 1770 to the signing of the Declaration of Independence in the summer of 1776. Events are told from the viewpoint of Benjamin Franklin, John and Abigail Adams, British general Thomas Gage, and George Washington. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

The Jury RC 52455
by Steve Martini
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Attorney Paul Madriani and his San Diego partner, Harry Hinds, defend David Crone, a genetic research physician accused of murdering his beautiful African American rival at the university. Their case is threatened, however, when the main witness for the defendant commits suicide. Some violence. Bestseller 2001.

Hammerfall: The Gene Wars, Book 1
RC 52458
by C.J. Cherryh
read by Rick Rohan
3 cassettes
In a universe of warring interstellar empires and powerful nanotechnology, ruler Ila sends rebel warrior Marak to seek the source of his visions. Marak journeys into the desert accompanied by other divinely mad people. Some strong language. 2001.

Slammerkin RC 52460
by Emma Donoghue
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
London, 1760s. Mary Saunders loves fine lace and linens. But unlike her seamstress mother, Mary wants to own them. Unfortunately, her desire for finery leads to a fateful mistake, and Mary becomes a prostitute. Even when she later tries to reform, her love for beautiful fabrics leads to disaster. Descriptions of sex and some violence. 2000.

Writ of Execution RC 52461
by Perri O'Shaughnessy
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Lake Tahoe attorney Nina Reilly is hired to help a young woman who has won millions in a casino but who can't reveal her true identity. Nina's sometime lover, Paul van Wagoner, helps to investigate even as witnesses are being murdered. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Murder in the Lincoln Bedroom: An Eleanor Roosevelt Mystery RC 52479
by Elliott Roosevelt
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
Washington, D.C.; 1943. When an armed White House lawyer is discovered murdered in the Lincoln Bedroom, it is up to First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt and Captain Ed Kennelly to quietly find his killer. The president and his generals are secretly planning the invasion of Europe and cannot be disturbed. 2000.

Diaspora RC 52484
by Greg Egan
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
It is the end of the second millennium and the planet has evolved into a network of probes, satellites, and servers. Humanity, also, has reconfigured itself into three groups: software, robots, and fleshers. When a cosmic disaster occurs, the various units form an alliance to explore the universe. 1998.

Sullivan's Island: A Lowcountry Tale
RC 52486
by Dorothea Benton Frank
read by Erin Jones
3 cassettes
Sullivan's Island, South Carolina. Growing up in the 1960s, Susan Hayes had a relatively average childhood, but now in the 1990s her life is falling apart. She and her sister take an introspective look at their past, which involved family secrets and betrayals. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.

Prize Stories, 1999: The O. Henry Awards
RC 52488
edited by Larry Dark
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
These twenty short stories selected from magazines include first, second, and third prize-winning entries by Peter Baida, Cary Holladay, and Alice Munro. In a "A Nurse's Story," Mary McDonald helps her colleagues organize a union for her patients' sake. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1999.

The Night She Died RC 52494
by Dorothy Simpson
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes (Reissue)
British inspector Luke Thanet delves into the murder of pretty Julie Holmes. His investigation uncovers the story of a disturbed young woman who witnessed an unsolved murder as a child. Thanet suspects Julie's killer is the same person she saw long ago. But some clues point to her husband. 1981.

Just the Way You Are RC 52495
by Barbara Freethy
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Widow Phoebe MacGuire has a string of pearls she needs to complete before she dies. She wants her two granddaughters, who may still love the same man, to find that one last pearl. She believes that only then will they find happiness in love. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

Candyland: A Novel in Two Parts
RC 52498
by Evan Hunter and Ed McBain
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
While in New York City on business, Los Angeles sex addict Ben Thorpe pursues his hobby relentlessly. He becomes a prime suspect, however, when a hooker he visited is murdered. Detectives Emma Boyle and Jimmy Morgan collaborate on the case. (Coauthors are the same person.) Explicit descriptions of sex, strong language, and some violence. 2001.

Zeitgeist RC 52499
by Bruce Sterling
read by Alec Volz
2 cassettes
It's 1999, and Leggy Starlitz, a shameless entrepreneur, believes that he can use his all-girl fake band to smuggle lip gloss and pantyhose into the Islamic world. But there are conditions for his partners—the scheme should end before the year 2000 and none of the girls must die. Strong language. 2000.

Prize Stories, 2000: The O. Henry Awards
RC 52501
edited by Larry Dark
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Culled from magazines, these twenty short stories represent the best of the year. Includes first, second, and third prize-winning entries by John Edgar Wideman, Beth Lordan, and Mary Gordon. In "The Gilgul of Park Avenue," a financial consultant suddenly discovers his Jewish soul. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2000.

Wife for a Day RC 52506
by Patti Berg
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Samantha Jones's life has been one tragedy after another. But all that changes when she delivers a tuxedo to millionaire rancher Jack Remington. He is in Palm Beach to attend his sister's engagement party, and he needs a fiancée. Samantha is the perfect candidate. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1999.

The Burning Point RC 52507
by Mary Jo Putney
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Divorcée Kate Donovan and ex-husband Patrick inherit her father's demolition company—but only if they live together for a year. Both love the business, so they reluctantly agree. Kate also discovers that her father's death might not have been an accident. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

The Bridegroom: Stories RC 52512
by Ha Jin
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
A dozen short stories set in China, by the winner of the National Book Award for *Waiting (RC 49107)*. In "Flame" head nurse Nimei, married to a lackluster man, receives a letter from her spurned first love, Hsu Peng, who is now a high-ranking officer. Some strong language. 2000.

The Romantics RC 52514
by Pankaj Mishra
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Samar, a sheltered Brahmin student of modest means, moves to bustling Benares, India, where he encounters corruption and Westerners for the first time. He is captivated by Catherine, a sophisticated young French woman, whose ultimate betrayal causes him great emotional turmoil. Some strong language. 2000.

Wind in the Stone RC 52516
by Andre Norton
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
After the Dark returns, a Wizard seizes control of the Valley, thus placing the balance between good and evil with a pair of twins. The sorcerer seeking to establish tyranny raises the male infant to do his bidding, but the denizens shelter the boy's sister in a nearby Forest. 1999.

Deal with the Dead RC 52517
by Les Standiford
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Miami builder John Deal wins a large contract but later learns of organized crime connections. He also discovers that his late father had custody of a missing fortune. Now the mob, the owner's son, and a corrupt government official are demanding payment. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Death Benefits RC 52527
by Thomas Perry
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
Security advisor Max Stillman takes young insurance analyst John Walker with him to investigate the misconduct of Walker's ex-lover, agent Ellen Snyder. Snyder approved a twelve-million-dollar payout to a bogus claimant and then disappeared. Stillman and Walker

crisscross the country unraveling the lucrative scheme. Strong language and some violence. 2001.

The Iceweaver RC 52546
by Margaret Lawrence
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
New York state, 1809. In this sequel to *The Burning Bride (RC 50538)*, midwife Hannah Trevor dies, leaving her grown deaf daughter, Jennet, destitute. Meanwhile, surveyor John Frayne returns, wealthy, to reclaim his late Tory father's house. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

Mortalis: DemonWars, Volume 4 RC 52556
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Michael Scherer
4 cassettes
Despite the dactyl's demise, Pony rejects offers to become a baroness or an abbess of the Abellican Church. Plague is killing a large portion of Corona's population and a despised heretic is performing magic. So she must reconsider her decision. Sequel to *The Demon Apostle (RC 49339)*. 2000.

Kingdom of Shadows RC 52580
by Alan Furst
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Paris, 1938. Hungarian Nicholas Morath owns an advertising agency in Paris and enjoys the bohemian life. His uncle, diplomat Count Polanyi, requests favors from time to time, and these errands become increasingly dangerous as the Nazis begin their conquest of Europe. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

The Program RC 52590
by Stephen White
read by Colleen Delany
3 cassettes
Single mom Peyton Francis is lucky to meet former hit man Carl Luppo in a witness-protection program, because she's in desperate need of his expertise. Their Boulder psychologist Alan Gregory and his pregnant assistant-D.A. wife Lauren risk danger by offering additional help. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Empire Falls RC 52601
by Richard Russo
read by Christopher Walker
4 cassettes
Empire Falls, Maine, was once a thriving town with three mills. But the owners, the Whitings, have allowed their vast holdings to become decrepit real estate. Miles Roby, who runs the Empire Grill for Mrs. Whiting, recounts the tale of this dying town with bemused regret. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Tell No One RC 52602
by Harlan Coben
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
New York City pediatrician David Beck's wife and lifelong sweetheart, Elizabeth, was tragically murdered eight years ago by a serial killer. Or so he thought. But the young doctor suddenly begins receiving mysterious e-mails containing information only Elizabeth would know. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Grandmother Spider: A Charlie Moon Mystery RC 52604
by James D. Doss
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Shaman Daisy Perika predicts the giant arachnid that lives beneath Lake Navajo will attack. Her hunch appears true when two men—one a government research scientist and the other a Native American truck driver—disappear from the lake's shore. Daisy's nephew, Ute lawman Charlie Moon, isn't buying it. Some strong language. 2001.

A Member of the Family RC 52611
by Susan Merrell
read by Faith Potts
3 cassettes
The Latham family from Sag Harbor, New York, adopts a toddler from Romania. Over the next few turbulent years, they learn that Michael has attachment disorder. His aggressive behavior threatens their marriage and their older daughter. But can they give him up? Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

The Killer's Cousin RC 52612
by Nancy Werlin
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
High school senior David Yaffe is exiled to his uncle's house after being acquitted of murder. There he is haunted by his dead cousin, Kathy, and harassed by her eleven-year-old sister, Lily. He learns there is another killer in the house. For senior high readers. 1998.

How It Is RC 52613
by Samuel Beckett
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
An anguished, disembodied voice expresses a grim, fragmentary vision of human life stripped to its essence in this experimental fiction by the Irish-born winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature. Originally written in French in 1961 and translated into English by the author. Some strong language. 1964.

The Grand Ellipse RC 52614
by Paula Volsky
read by Anne Flosnik
5 cassettes
The republic of Vonahr needs a magical weapon to annihilate the imperialistic Grewzians, who threaten to conquer the world. A young Vonahrish adventuress must win the "Grand Ellipse" race to obtain an audience with the king who controls the arsenal. 2000.

Dreamland RC 52621
by Sarah Dessen
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Sixteen-year-old Caitlin and her family feel betrayed when Caitlin's "perfect" older sister runs away. Caitlin tries to fill the void but drifts into a relationship with an abusive, drug-dealing older boy. It takes a near tragedy for her parents to rally around her. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2000.

Day Dreamer RC 52626
by Jill Marie Landis
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
New Orleans, 1816. After Celine Winters kills a wealthy man in self-defense, she trades places with a desperate girl who wants to avoid an arranged marriage. Celine thus weds handsome but troubled Cord Moreau, who is returning to his Caribbean island plantation. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1996.

The Ferguson Rifle RC 52634
by Louis L'Amour
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette (Reissue)
To forget the death of his family, Ronan Chantry goes west. He joins trappers and meets Lucinda Falvey, who's looking for lost treasure. Together they fight for their lives against hostile Indians and thieves. Sequel to *North to the Rails (RC 33979)*. Some violence. 1973.

Dark of the Gods RC 52635
by P.C. Hodgell
read by Barbara Caruso
5 cassettes
Contains *God Stalk* and its sequel, *Dark of the Moon*. Jame Talissen—possessing the strange powers of her ancient race, the Kencyr—suffers amnesia and exhaustion after fleeing her enemies. She arrives in the mazed city Tai-tastigon, searching for her brother Tori to give him their father's sword and ring. 2000.

Seeker's Mask RC 52636
by P.C. Hodgell
read by Barbara Caruso
4 cassettes
Before Jame has time to reconnect with her brother Tori, she winds up in the Women's Halls at Gothregor. She doesn't conform well to their rules and soon is off on another perilous adventure. Sequel to *Dark of the Gods (RC 52635)*. 1994.

Shannon's Way RC 52672
by A.J. Cronin
read by Tom Martin
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Scotland, 1919. In this sequel to *The Green Years (RC 32524)*, Robert Shannon completes his medical training and dedicates his life to research. He falls in love with Jean Law, one of his students, but religious differences keep them apart. 1948.

Reflections and Dreams RC 52676
by Nora Roberts
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Companion to *Considering Kate (RC 51947)* consisting of two novels. *Reflections* focuses on Nick Davidov's star ballerina, Lindsay Dunne, who returns home to care for her mother and opens a studio. *Dance of Dreams* features Lindsay's student, Ruth Bannion. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 1983.

The Vintage Book of Latin American Stories RC 52677
edited by Carlos Fuentes and Julio Ortega
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Anthology of thirty-nine short stories from various Latin American countries. Includes old masters of the form such as Jorge Luis Borges, Julio Cortázar, and Gabriel García Márquez and recent authors Fernando Ampuero, Juan Villoro, and Rodrigo Fresán. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1998.

Lirael, Daughter of the Clayr RC 52678
by Garth Nix
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Lirael, on her fourteenth birthday, despairs of ever receiving the gift of Sight—seeing into the future. But when a dangerous necromancer threatens to unleash a long-buried evil, it is Lirael who must undertake a mission to save the Old Kingdom. Sequel to *Sabriel (RC 44682)*. For junior and senior high readers. 2001.

The Return of the Native RC 52679
by Thomas Hardy
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Clym Yeobright returns to barren Egdon Heath and, against his mother's advice, marries the willful Eustacia Vye. Later, disenchanted, Eustacia begins seeing Damon Wildeve, her former lover, who is married to Clym's cousin. Includes a glossary of unfamiliar regional terms as well as the author's later prefaces and postscripts. 1878.

The Clan of the Cave Bear RC 52680
by Jean M. Auel
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes (Reissue)
After her people perish in an earthquake during the Ice Age, Cro-Magnon woman Ayla is adopted by a beetle-browed Neanderthal clan. Banished several times for flouting taboos, Ayla finally realizes that she must leave the group, doomed to extinction, and seek out her own kind. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1980.

Death of a Dentist RC 52686
by M.C. Beaton
read by Jamie Horton
1 cassette
Awakened with an agonizing toothache, Scottish police constable Hamish Macbeth seeks out the nearest quack, who would rather pull teeth than save them. But when Hamish arrives, the dentist is dead, with all his teeth drilled. And it turns out that the dentist was quite the ladies' man. 1997.

Thinks . . . RC 52688
by David Lodge
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
Comedy of manners in the British academic world. Ralph Messenger is director of cognitive science at the University of Gloucester. Helen Reed, a recent widow, has taken the post of writer-in-residence. Ralph, who though married indulges in illicit affairs, is attracted to Helen. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

Hogfather: A Novel of Discworld RC 52689
by Terry Pratchett
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
'Twas the night before Hogswatch and all through Discworld, not a creature was stirring—not even Hogfather himself. So who is going to deliver the children's presents? Susan, a governess, sets out to find him before morning; otherwise the sun won't come up. Some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 1996.

Dawn Rochelle: Four Novels RC 52692
by Lurlene McDaniel
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Four novels chronicle a few years in the lives of Dawn Rochelle and her family and friends after she is diagnosed with leukemia at age thirteen. Includes *Six Months to Live, I Want to Live, So Much to Live For,* and *No Time to Cry*. For senior high readers. 2000.

Set in Darkness: An Inspector Rebus Novel RC 52693
by Ian Rankin
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes
Inspector John Rebus is assigned to a bogus task force for the new Scottish parliament. He contends with inexperienced—but noble class darling—Inspec-

tor Derek Linford, while determining whether a newly discovered corpse, a homeless man's suicide, and a murdered politician are connected. Some violence and some strong language. 2000.

Where I'm Bound RC 52694
by Allen B. Ballard
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Renowned historian provides a fictionalized account of an all-black regiment in the Civil War. Escaped slave Joe Duckett becomes a cavalry scout with the Union army. Alongside other escaped slaves and freedmen, Duckett fights for freedom and family. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

The First Deadly Sin RC 52696
by Lawrence Sanders
read by Chuck Benson
5 cassettes (Reissue)
Captain Edward Delaney accepts an undercover assignment to track down the serial killer who attacks his victims with an ice ax. The murders take place in an upper East Side precinct in New York. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Bestseller 1973.

Roll Over and Play Dead RC 52701
by Joan Hess
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Bookstore owner Claire Malloy and her teenage daughter, Caron, reluctantly agree to pet-sit a pair of basset hounds. But when the dogs and other neighborhood pets disappear, Claire suspects that animal dealer Newton Churls is selling them for laboratory experiments. 1991.

Equal Rites: A Novel of Discworld RC 52704
by Terry Pratchett
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Wizard Drum Billet is dying—in about six minutes—and wants to pass on his powers to the eighth son of an eighth son who is just being born. The wizard's staff is placed in the child's hand immediately after birth. But, the child is a girl! For senior high and older readers. 1987.

Kissing the Virgin's Mouth RC 52706
by Donna M. Gershten
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
As Magda awaits the onset of inherited blindness in her comfortable Mexican home, lighting candles to her statue of the Virgin, she recalls her eventful life: childhood poverty, her blind mother, her husbands and lovers, moving to Idaho, and raising her daughter. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bellwether Prize. 2001.

Mrs. Washington and Horowitz, Too RC 52709
by Henry Denker
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
Elderly New York widower Sam Horowitz is lonely, but with the encouragement of his African American friend and former nurse, Harriet Washington, he volunteers at a Harlem hospital's neonatal unit. And with a little matchmaking from Mrs. Washington, he falls in love. 1993.

Hunting Season RC 52710
by P.T. Deutermann
read by Jim Zeiger
4 cassettes
Former FBI contract-killer Edwin Kreiss's daughter is missing from an Appalachian hiking trip. Roanoke agent Janet Carter leads the search. Kreiss teams with Carter to uncover political scandal and motives for vengeance, but Kreiss has insider information—an effective weapon. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Fan Club RC 52712
by Irving Wallace
read by Chuck Benson
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Four ordinary men meet in a bar and conspire to physically possess the world's most coveted and worshipped love goddess, actress Sharon Fields. The four proceed with their plan. Only they don't know the real Sharon. Explicit descriptions of sex, strong language, and some violence. 1974.

Ain't No River RC 52719
by Sharon Ewell Foster
read by Gail Nelson
2 cassettes
Suspended from her Washington, D.C., position by her racist supervisor, African American attorney Garvin Daniels returns to North Carolina. Materialistic Garvin becomes suspicious of her grandmother's relationships with a younger man and a troubled teenager. Meemaw, however, helps Garvin to understand love and to trust God. 2001.

Hollowpoint RC 52720
by Rob Reuland
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Burned-out, alcoholic, Brooklyn assistant district attorney Andrew "Gio" Giobberti prosecutes the boyfriend of a murdered fourteen-year-old single mother. Gio suffers from guilt over his own daughter's death—caused by his negligence—and helping this victim's family somehow assuages his self-reproach. Strong language and some violence. 2001.

One Virgin Too Many RC 52721
by Lindsey Davis
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Rome, A.D. 74. Following *Two for the Lions (RC 50956)*, Gaia Laelia, a wealthy six-year-old, tries to hire a reluctant Marcus Didius Falco to protect her from her religious relatives. When a priest from another cult is murdered and Gaia disappears, Falco and his partners investigate. Some violence. 1999.

Nebula Awards 33: The Year's Best SF and Fantasy Chosen by the Science-Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America RC 52723
edited by Connie Willis
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes
A selection of 1997's best short writings and an excerpt from the Nebula Award winner for best novel, Vonda N. McIntyre's *The Moon and the Sun*. Features the grand master, Poul Anderson; Nebula Award winners Jerry Oltion, Nancy Kress, and Jane Yolen; and among the runners-up, Gregory Feeley. Some strong language. 1999.

Summer Island RC 52724
by Kristin Hannah
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Well-known talk show host Nora Bridge has been estranged from daughter Ruby for years. But when the ugly truth about her past is uncovered, Nora retreats to Summer Island. There she and Ruby finally come to terms with each other. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

One Hundred Girls' Mother RC 52725
by Lenore Carroll
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
San Francisco, 1895. Thomasina McIntyre commits one year of service to the Presbyterian Occidental Mission. At twenty-six, she goes on her first raid of a bordello to rescue a young Chinese woman from prostitution. Thereafter, aiding Chinese immigrants and teaching them Christianity become Thomasina's lifework. Some descriptions of sex. 1998.

Darwin's Blade RC 52726
by Dan Simmons
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Southern California accident-reconstruction expert Dr. Darwin Minor stumbles across a billion-dollar insurance scam organized by the Russian Mafia and becomes a target. But Minor, a widowed ex-marine sniper, and state investigator Ms. Sydney Olson set a trap. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2000.

Breathing Room RC 52727
by Patricia Elam
read by Saidah Arrika Ekulona
3 cassettes
Photographer Norma has a loving husband and a lively son. Divorced probation officer Moxie is dedicated to her talented teenage daughter. Best friends after meeting in college, Norma and Moxie are very supportive of each other. Suddenly their bond begins to unravel in unexpected ways. 2001.

Death of a Gossip RC 52730
by M.C. Beaton
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Scottish constable Hamish MacBeth investigates the death of a guest at a local fishing school. The obnoxious decedent, Lady Jane Winters, had insulted everyone—including MacBeth and a child—before her body was discovered. Some strong language. 1985.

The Honey Trap RC 52732
by Clive Egleton
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
British intelligence agent Peter Ashton investigates the murder of Adam Zawadzki, a Queen's Messenger in Costa Rica. A neighbor is also murdered in Zawadzki's London house. Vexed by instructions from his supervisor, Jill Sheridan, Ashton begins to suspect traitors are working inside the agency. Strong language and some violence. 2000.

***The Whisperer* and Other Voices**
RC 52733
by Brian Lumley
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Eight short stories and a novella of horror. In "No Sharks in the Med," a newlywed couple honeymooning in Greece is stalked by two brothers on an isolated island. In "Vanessa's Voice," a dead singer's husband is haunted by

dead singer's husband is haunted by remembered sounds. 2001.

Prairie Song RC 52735
by Cheryl Anne Porter
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
In 1889, pregnant Kate Chandler flees from her abusive employer in New York City to join a land rush in Oklahoma. Once there she enlists the help of gunslinger Cole Youngblood, who needs a caretaker for his orphaned niece and nephews. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

Choke RC 52781
by Chuck Palahniuk
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Medical school dropout Victor Mancini offers a bizarre, angry confession of why he believes he is a loser. He works at a colonial theme park, attends sex-addiction group meetings, and pretends to choke in restaurants to pay for his mother's elder care. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

A Light on the Veranda RC 52783
by Ciji Ware
read by Ann Hodapp
3 cassettes
Sequel to *Midnight on Julia Street (RC 49453)*. King Duvallon asks his sister, Daphne, a harpist, to return to Natchez for his wedding. For Daphne, that means losing her New York position, facing her former fiancé, and having disturbing visions of her ancestors. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

Dupont Circle RC 52785
by Paul Kafka-Gibbons
read by Chris Parente
2 cassettes
Three couples who live in Dupont Circle, Washington, D.C., contemplate love and matrimony. Judge Bailey Allard falls in love with the female housemate whom his son recommended. Allard's clerks, Max and Eve, plan to wed, and his gay son wants to marry his lover. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Fatal Voyage RC 52789
by Kathy Reichs
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Forensic anthropologist Dr. Temperance Brennan helps identify victims from a plane crash in North Carolina's Smoky Mountains. After she finds a foot that doesn't match any of the passengers, Tempe is taken off the case in disgrace—forcing her to investigate possible local shenanigans. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Playing without the Ball: A Novel in Four Quarters RC 52792
by Rich Wallace
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
After his dad moves away, basketball-obsessed Jay stays alone in his small hometown to finish his senior year of high school. But when he is cut from the school team, Jay joins a church league and continues playing while struggling to survive. Strong language. For senior high readers. 2000.

Bride for a Night RC 52793
by Patti Berg
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Cairo McKnight married Duncan Kin-

caid on a whim five years ago in Las Vegas. The marriage lasted one day and one night. All Cairo has to show for it is a precocious son and an annulment. But now her son needs a father. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2000.

A Gathering of Spies RC 52794
by John Altman
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Nazi Katarina Heinrich is undercover in America for almost a decade before she learns the secrets of the atomic bomb. Meanwhile in London, Harry Winterbotham is recruited to become a double agent. The two meet in England with disastrous results. Some violence and some strong language. 2000.

Rangers of the Lone Star RC 52796
by Zane Grey
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Texas Ranger Vaughn Steele and his special assistant, Russ Sittell, want to stop the outlaws and cattle rustlers in Fairdale, Pecos County. But Mayor Longstreth, a prominent rancher, doesn't like rangers interfering in his territory. Then his daughter and Steele fall in love. Some strong language. 1997.

Born to Be Wild RC 52797
by Patti Berg
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Lauren Remington is determined to become the major wedding planner for Palm Beach society. Days before the nuptials of the year, however, her caterer dies. Lauren's only hope lies in the leather-clad Max Wilde, whose specialty is ribs. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Burn Factor RC 52801
by Kyle Mills
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Quinn Barry is a computer programmer and an aspiring FBI agent. Quinn gets demoted when she discovers an apparent serial killer while working at the agency. She continues her investigation with the help of onetime suspect, Eric Twain. Descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 2001.

The Thundering Herd RC 52805
by Zane Grey
read by John Polk
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The Great Plains, 1874. Buffalo hunter Tom Doan has faced Comanche raids, stampedes, murder, and treachery in pursuit of the lucrative hide trade. With girlfriend Milly Fayre's help, he comes to believe the mass slaughter is wrong and turns against his fellow hunters. But now Milly is missing. Foreword (1953) by Loren Grey. 1924.

The Octagonal Raven RC 52809
by L.E. Modesitt
read by Brian Conn
3 cassettes
Daryn joins the Federal Service as a combat pilot in a world in which genetic enhancement has created an effective oligarchy of wealth and ability. When he becomes one of the ruling oligarchs, he must rely on a self-selecting power structure and his mental agility to survive assassination attempts. 2001.

Midnight Come Again RC 52816
by Dana Stabenow
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Following the death of her lover, in *Hunter's Moon (RC 49633)*, depressed

Kate Shugak takes a job in a coastal village as a cargo pilot. Meanwhile, Alaska state trooper Jim Chopin is sent there under cover to investigate Russian smugglers. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

The Church Ladies RC 52819
by Lisa E. Samson
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Middle-aged Poppy Fraser, mother of two young adults and one five-year-old, struggles to come to terms with being a minister's wife. After her husband Duncan's recent career change, Poppy must cope with competitive church life in a small town, finding help in weekly ecumenical meetings with other Christian women. 2001.

ChronoSpace RC 52820
by Allen Steele
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
In 2314, a group of historians fly back into the past to document the 1937 explosion of the *Hindenburg*. Their participation in the transatlantic voyage destroys their world and its time line. "Angels," to prevent further spacetime damage, must stop humanity's time travel. 2001.

Borden Chantry RC 52830
by Louis L'Amour
read by John Polk
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A mysterious gunman goes on a rampage, killing men in cold blood. Borden Chantry, who has reluctantly taken on the job of town marshal, is hard pressed to find the murderer. Sequel to *Over on the Dry Side (RC 35987)*. Some strong language. 1977.

Miss Julia Takes Over RC 52836
by Ann B. Ross
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes
Elderly Julia Springer hires private detective J.D. Pickens to find her late husband's mistress, Hazel Marie, who hasn't returned from a date. With Little Lloyd, Hazel's son, in tow, the trio end up at the NASCAR races. Sequel to *Miss Julia Speaks Her Mind (RC 49141)*. 2001.

Daniel Plainway; or, The Holiday Haunting of the Moosepath League RC 52840
by Van Reid
read by Mitzi Friedlander
4 cassettes
Maine, Christmas 1896. In this companion to *Mollie Peer . . . (RC 50656)*, Daniel Pathway believes that a little boy named Bird, who is rescued from kidnappers, is the son of his deceased goddaughter. He enlists the support of the Moosepath League to investigate. 2000.

Off the Mangrove Coast RC 52857
by Louis L'Amour
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Nine tales based on L'Amour's early adventures as a boxer, hobo, and worldwide wanderer. In the title piece, four men cross the China Sea in a stolen boat, seeking the cash from a sunken freighter. Besides the dangers of risky diving equipment and sharks, they face their mutual distrust. 2000.

Britannia Mews RC 52868
by Margery Sharp
read by Janis Gray
3 cassettes
In the late 1800s, young, naive Ade-

laide Culver leads a protected life in London until she decides, against her parents' wishes, to marry her drawing teacher. Poor, unambitious, and alcoholic, Henry Lambert lives in the rundown housing of the converted manor, Britannia Mews. When Adelaide realizes his limitations, pride and, later, blackmail force her to stay and make a life for herself among her unusual neighbors. Some strong language. 1946.

Suzanne's Diary for Nicholas RC 52887
by James Patterson
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
Katie Wilkinson, a book editor in New York, believes she has found the perfect man when she meets poet Matt Harrison. They are having a wonderful time together. Then without warning he gives her a diary his wife had written for their son and disappears. Bestseller 2001.

Blue Diary RC 52888
by Alice Hoffman
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
On a glorious June morning, Ethan Ford makes love to his wife, Jorie, in their happy home. But before the day is over, Ethan's secret past will catch up to him, and his perfect marriage will crumble. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Point Deception RC 52890
by Marcia Muller
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Writer Guy Newberry arrives in northern California to research a thirteen-year-old mass murder mystery for a new book. Deputy Rhoda Swift can't forgive herself for not solving the crime many years ago. So the two collaborate to catch the serial killer after more women are murdered. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

An Offer from a Gentleman RC 52891
by Julia Quinn
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
England, 1815. Sophie Beckett, bastard daughter of a nobleman, becomes nothing more than a servant when her father remarries. But she manages to attend a masquerade ball where she captivates the heart of Benedict Bridgerton, the catch of the season. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Murder in Havana RC 52892
by Margaret Truman
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Retired CIA employee Max Pauling, last seen in *Murder in Foggy Bottom (RC 50815)*, obligingly goes to Cuba to ascertain whether an American drug firm headed by a former senator is illegally operating there. He is met in Havana by beautiful Celia Sardiña, whose own mission threatens Max's survival. 2001.

Valhalla Rising RC 52893
by Clive Cussler
read by Bob Askey
4 cassettes
Dirk Pitt, on board an oceanographic survey vessel, helps rescue passengers from a luxury cruise ship that mysteriously catches fire on its maiden voyage. One of the survivors is Kelly Egan, who has managed to save her father's papers only to have her life threatened. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

The Forgotten RC 52898
by Faye Kellerman
read by Richard Davidson
3 cassettes
Hate crime leads to murder after a small synagogue is vandalized. As Rina Lazarus and her husband, LAPD detective Peter Decker, investigate, they learn their son, Jacob, knows the teenage suspect, Ernesto Golding. Then Golding and his therapists are found dead. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

The Secret of Life RC 52902
by Paul McAuley
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
2026. A fungus with unique DNA is spreading across the Pacific Ocean, and scientists believe it is connected with a previous Chinese mission to Mars. Biologist Mariella Anders, hired by NASA, travels to Mars to investigate. While she is there, the Chinese release a hazardous microorganism. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

A Kiss to Remember RC 52903
by Teresa Medeiros
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Sterling Harlow, Duke of Devonbrooke, returns to claim the estate left after his estranged mother's death. But Laura Fairleigh would inherit the manor only if she marries immediately. When Sterling falls off his horse and loses his memory, Laura hastily arranges a wedding. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Bird's-Eye View RC 52907
by J.F. Freedman
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Disgraced professor Fritz Tullis photographs a murder while birdwatching on his family's Maryland estate. With the help of his mother, Mary, ornithologist Maureen O'Hara, and Baltimore cop Marcus DeWilde, Tullis investigates and discovers that a prominent politician is involved. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Hemlock Bay RC 52909
by Catherine Coulter
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Married FBI agents Dillon Savich and Lacey Sherlock, last seen in *The Edge (RC 48769)*, rush to save Dillon's sister Lily from danger. Lily is still mourning her daughter's death. She also inherited some valuable paintings, and someone is willing to kill for them. Some violence and some strong language. 2001.

Paradise Lost: A Joanna Brady Mystery RC 52914
by J.A. Jance
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Joanna Brady's twelve-year-old daughter, Jennifer, and her classmate, Dora, discover a body during a Girl Scout campout. Joanna, sheriff of Cochise County, Arizona, fears for her daughter's safety when Dora is later murdered. Joanna also suspects her new husband, Butch, of infidelity. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Cinnamon: Shooting Stars, Volume 1
RC 52915
by V.C. Andrews
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Cinnamon Carlson spends her time dreaming of imaginary worlds. It is her escape from a mother who has mental breakdowns, a father who always seems distant, and an overbearing grandmother. But it is her teacher who gives her the hope of real escape. Followed by *Ice (RC 52916)*. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

Ice: Shooting Stars, Volume 2
RC 52916
by V.C. Andrews
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Ice Goodman lives in a silent world of her own choosing, never speaking unless it is absolutely necessary. Consequently she has no friends, and her mother has come to hate her. But when Ice reveals her extraordinary singing voice, her entire world changes. Sequel to *Cinnamon (RC 52915)*. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

City of Golden Shadow: Otherland, Volume 1 RC 52924
by Tad Williams
read by Erik Sandvold
6 cassettes
A global conspiracy is threatening to shut down Earth in favor of a more exclusive place—Otherland. The Earth's children are being captured through the Internet and virtual reality, and only a few people are willing to foil the conspiracy scheme. Followed by *River of Blue Fire (RC 52925)*. Violence and strong language. 1996.

The Night Drifter RC 52938
by Susan Carroll
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Eldest son Lance St. Leger's ability to night drift sends his spirit away from his body. On one such occasion he meets Lady Rosalind Carlyon, an Arthurian fan, who believes he is Sir Lancelot du Lac's ghost. Sequel to *The Bride Finder (RC 49219)*. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1999.

Someone to Love RC 52967
by Kasey Michaels
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
London, England; the Regency. Kipp Rutland, viscount Willoughby, enters into a marriage of convenience to young widow Abigail Backworth-Maldon. Abby is relieved to restore some wealth to her batty in-laws and send them back to the countryside. The two didn't expect to fall in love. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

A Fine Balance RC 53004
by Rohinton Mistry
read by Yolande Bavan
5 cassettes
India, 1975. Prime Minister Indira Gandhi has declared a state of emergency, and the resulting upheavals thrust together four struggling people. Dina, a widowed seamstress in her forties, takes in Maneck, the college-age son of a school friend, along with two low-caste tailors, Ishvar and his nephew Om. Some violence. 1995.

Open Season RC 53008
by C.J. Box
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Joe Pickett, a Wyoming game warden, discovers the bodies of three outfitters. His investigation leads to an endangered species, ruthless businessmen willing to ruin the environment, and threats to his beloved family. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

The Jasmine Trade: A Novel of Suspense Introducing Eve Diamond RC 53009
by Denise Hamilton
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Los Angeles reporter Eve Diamond, investigating the murder of a Chinese teenager, discovers an underground world of "parachute kids"—wealthy Asians left unsupervised in America by their parents, who live abroad. She also uncovers sexual slavery, gangs, and other criminal activity. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

Any Way the Wind Blows RC 53010
by E. Lynn Harris
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
After being jilted by Basil Henderson in *Not a Day Goes By (RC 50887)*, African American actress Yancey Braxton becomes a popular singer in Los Angeles. She returns to New York, where Basil, a sports agent, is dating both sexes. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. Bestseller 2001.

America: A Jake Grafton Novel RC 53012
by Stephen Coonts
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
A nuclear-powered submarine is hijacked by terrorists not long after an antiballistic-missile defense system satellite disappears. An attack is launched on both Washington, D.C., and New York City. Rear Admiral Jake Grafton, last seen in *Hong Kong (RC 51730)*, heads the rescue team. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Resurrecting Mingus RC 53013
by Jenoyne Adams
read by Saidah Arrika Ekulona
2 cassettes
A young attorney reflects upon her relationship with her family and her biracial heritage. Mingus Browning's parents are divorcing, and she is torn between the father she has always been close to, the mother she may have to defend in divorce proceedings, and a sister whose loyalty is in doubt. Bestseller 2001.

Darkling I Listen RC 53018
by Katherine Sutcliffe
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Notorious Hollywood actor Brandon Carlyle returns home to Ticky Creek, Texas, after his release from prison on a manslaughter charge. But his troubles aren't over—the local sheriff harasses him, a fan stalks him, and tabloid reporter Alyson James shows up. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 2001.

Going Overboard RC 53024
by Christina Skye
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Photographer Carolina Sullivan tries to hire gorgeous Ford McKay as a model while on a cruise ship. McKay, a Navy Seal, is elusive until he learns that protecting Carly is his undercover assignment. Both workaholics attempt to avoid an affair. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

The Woman Next Door RC 53035
by Barbara Delinsky
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
When Gretchen, a reclusive young widow in a suburban cul-de-sac, becomes pregnant, the other three women on the block suspect their husbands. Graham and Amanda struggle with infertility, Karen knows Lee cheats, and Georgia travels for work while Russ stays home. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Lake Wobegon Summer 1956 RC 53040
by Garrison Keillor
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Fourteen-year-old Gary is suffering from hormonal anxieties in the summer of 1956. His family belongs to an evangelical group with strict behavioral rules, so he must keep his fantasies to himself. Yet those fantasies find a release when Gary is given an Underwood typewriter. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

Half a Life RC 53063
by V.S. Naipaul
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
The coming-of-age story of Willie Chandran, the son of a Brahman and a woman of lower caste whose disastrous union haunts Willie's existence. Escaping India for London, Willie tries to create a new identity as a writer, and marries a woman from Africa. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Touching Evil RC 53064
by Kay Hooper
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Someone is duplicating crimes from 1934 by killing women in Seattle, Washington. The police hope to get help from Maggie Barnes, a sketch artist with the uncanny ability to use victims' memories to draw very accurate pictures of their attackers. But this time Maggie draws hands. Violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

The Smoke Jumper RC 53067
by Nicholas Evans
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
Julia Bishop meets Ed Tully first but soon is introduced to his best friend and fellow forest firefighter Connor Ford. That summer a catastrophic fire forces Julia to choose between the two men she has come to love. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Hostage RC 53072
by Robert Crais
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Three men invade a house and take

hostages after botching a robbery. The chief of police, Jeff Talley, soon discovers that the homeowner is a Mafia accountant. Talley's own family is kidnapped and held in exchange for the mob's computer disks. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

The Corrections RC 53073
by Jonathan Franzen
read by Christopher Walker
4 cassettes
Because her husband, Alfred, has Parkinson's disease, elderly midwestern housewife Enid Lambert seeks to gather her grown children for one last Christmas together. But unhappily married banker Gary, recently fired professor Chip, and bisexual chef Denise have other ideas. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

The Curse of Chalion RC 53074
by Lois McMaster Bujold
read by Vanessa Maroney
4 cassettes
Lupe dy Cazaril, once betrayed and sold into slavery, returns to the royal household he once served, hoping to find a menial job. Instead he is favored with the position of secretary-tutor to the royal princess. But a curse lies over the House of Chalion, endangering Cazaril and all within the royal circle. 2001.

The Geraldi Trail RC 53081
by Max Brand
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Professional thief Jimmy Geraldi, who only steals from other crooks, finally settles down to marry his sweetheart. But when an old friend rides up with a posse after him, Geraldi takes his place and rides off. Soon he has to confront an old enemy in order to clear his name. 1999.

On the Beach RC 53090
by Nevil Shute
read by Annie Wauters
6 cassettes (Reissue)
An atomic war has destroyed all life in the Northern Hemisphere and the lethal fallout is moving southward. A group of people in Australia, including American navy Commander Dwight Towers, are faced with impending annihilation. They must decide how to spend the precious days remaining to them. 1957.

The Last Time I Saw Paris RC 53102
by Elizabeth Adler
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Lara is devastated after her husband leaves on an extended business trip with his girlfriend and cancels their second honeymoon. Lara decides to use the tickets to Paris for herself and her new lover as she continues a journey of self-discovery. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Rose: Shooting Stars, Volume 3 RC 53120
by V.C. Andrews
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
When Rose's father tragically dies, she discovers he had kept secrets that change her family's life dramatically. For Rose the revelation means a new home and private school, as well as a chance to showcase her love for dancing. Sequel to *Ice (RC 52916)*. Bestseller 2001.

The Summons RC 53285
by John Grisham
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Law professor Ray Atlee arrives at the family home in rural Mississippi and discovers his elderly father dead—and three million dollars in cash. Ray decides not to tell his drug-addicted brother about the loot. But someone is soon after him and the money. Some strong language. Bestseller 2002.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Male Olympic Champions RC 51854
by Michael V. Uschan
read by Michael Scherer
1 cassette
Discusses the spirit and evolution of the Olympic games and profiles seven men who achieved success: Jim Thorpe, Paavo Nurmi, Jesse Owens, Jean-Claude Killy, Mark Spitz, Vasily Alexeyev, and Eric Heiden. For grades 6-9. 2000.

Career Ideas for Kids Who Like Animals and Nature RC 52185
by Diane Lindsey Reeves and Nancy Heubeck
read by Michael Consoli
1 cassette
Discusses the work of arborists, land surveyors, zoologists, and others in animal- and nature-related careers. Includes tips to help children who like living creatures make good job choices; provides guidelines for preparing for these diverse occupations. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2000.

Native Americans of the Southwest RC 52384
by Stuart A. Kallen
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Discusses diverse tribes, such as the Navajo, Pueblo, Apache, Maricopa, and the Papago, who lived in harmony with the environment when the Spanish settlers arrived in the sixteenth century. Comments on the historical clash of cultures and the modern-day lives of the descendants of indigenous peoples. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

Native Americans of the Plains
RC 52394
by Lucille Wood-Trost
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
Discusses the nomadic Plains Indians who relied on bison, the impact of European expansion on their ways of life, the destruction of tribal cultures, and the renewed sense of heritage in Native Americans in the late twentieth century. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

Native Americans of the Northwest Coast RC 52402
by Veda Boyd Jones
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Explains that before the arrival of European traders, seven Native American nations populated the West Coast. These were the Tlingit, Tsimshian, Haida, Bella Coola, Kwakiutl, Nootka, and Coast Salish. Discusses their history, culture, religion, and conflicts and modern efforts to preserve their traditions. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2001.

Snakes RC 52502
by Zuza Vrbova
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Describes nonpoisonous snakes as "fascinating," harmless reptiles that make low-maintenance and interesting pets. Provides detailed information on constructing a vivarium or an escape-proof cage, and explains the feeding requirements of snakes. Includes tips on their health care. For grades 2-4. 1998.

Jumbo Book of Gardening RC 52504
by Karyn Morris
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Practical advice for creating environmentally friendly gardens. Covers topics from basic soil preparation to growing fruits and vegetables, flowers, and native plants. Includes information on planning bird and butterfly habitats, as well as school and community gardens. For grades 3-6. 2000.

Rabbits RC 52521
by Zuza Vrbova
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Covers all aspects of keeping and caring for a pet rabbit. Discusses different breeds and sizes, explains hutch requirements and feeding preferences—rabbits do not eat meat. Includes handling and health care tips. For grades 2-4. 1998.

Weapons: Designing the Tools of War RC 52522
by Jason Richie
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
Outlines the work of the men who invented deadly weapons and armaments, such as the Colt revolver, automatic machine gun, torpedo, and ballistic missile, as well as tanks, submarines, and battleships. Suggests that the most destructive power in the world is the human capacity to innovate. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Lovebirds Today: A Complete and Up-to-Date Guide RC 52523
by Karl-Herbert Delpy
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Expert lovebird breeder describes the eight main species of these short-tailed little parrots that are kept as couples. Provides background information and advice for the lovebird fancier, including practical tips on space requirements,

feeding, drinking, and bathing habits. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1997.

Through My Eyes RC 52540
by Ruby Bridges
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Ruby Bridges recounts her experiences as the six-year-old first African American to integrate an all-white school in New Orleans, Louisiana, in 1960. She also discusses her reactions to the chants and the jeers and how that year changed her. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1999.

Leaving Cuba: From Operation Pedro Pan to Elian RC 52630
by Kathlyn Gay
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
Examines the various ways children have escaped from communist Cuba and relocated with families in the United States. Describes different programs and measures developed to help them, including air and boat lifts, from the 1960s to early 2000. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

Guppies Today: A Complete and Up-to-Date Guide RC 52650
by Spencer Glass
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Provides a brief history of the small tropical fish and offers advice on selecting and preparing aquariums for them. Describes the many varieties of guppies, their shapes, and color variations. Also includes information on feeding, breeding, and maintaining their health. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1997.

Turtles Today: A Complete and Up-to-Date Guide RC 52651
by John Coborn
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Examines the characteristics of and the differences between aquatic and land turtles. Advises on appropriate housing and diets for them. Discusses breeding and health problems of captive turtles. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1997.

Choosing the Perfect Cat: A Complete and Up-to-Date Guide RC 52652
by Dennis Kelsey-Wood and Eve Kelsey-Wood
read by Ann Hodapp
1 cassette
Discusses the process of selecting a cat or kitten and the responsibilities of ownership, including feeding it and making sure it stays healthy. Provides detailed descriptions of various breeds of cats and the differences in their coloring, size, and personality. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1997.

Weaving a California Tradition: A Native American Basketmaker RC 52667
by Linda Yamane
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Introduces eleven-year-old Carly Tex and her family of Western Mono Indians who share a tradition of basket-weaving. Describes the gathering and preparing of natural materials, as well as such weaving techniques as coiling and twining. Relates Carly's successful participation in the annual California Indian Basketweavers Gathering. For grades 3-6. 1997.

Bound for the North Star: True Stories of Fugitive Slaves RC 52702
by Dennis Brindell Fradin
read by Robin Miles
2 cassettes
Twelve accounts based on nineteenth-century fugitive slaves' reminiscences. In their bid for the promise of freedom in the North, the runaways traveled through hostile territory, often at night, with little idea of how to reach their destination. Some violence and some strong language. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

The Manhattan Project RC 52802
by Daniel Cohen
read by Randy Atcher
1 cassette
Portrays the people and events behind the research, development, and use of the first American atomic bombs during the 1940s. Describes the work of Robert Oppenheimer and others at the Los Alamos, New Mexico, secret lab and the detonations of the weapons over Japan. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1999.

My Pet Ferrets RC 53028
by Amy Gelman
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Follows an eleven-year-old girl through the experience of choosing and caring for two ferrets. Discusses responsibilities of pet ownership; provides specific tips for bathing, grooming, and litter-box training. Includes information about ferrets' physical characteristics, behavior, health requirements, and associated costs. For grades 3-6. 2001.

Parrots RC 53033
by Linda Jacobs Altman
read by Erin Jones
1 cassette
Presents general background information on parrots. Discusses their physical characteristics, including their speaking ability. Explains how to choose and how to care for these household pets. For grades 3-6. 2001.

Cassettes Fiction

Gold Dust RC 51975
by Chris Lynch
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
When Napoleon arrives in Boston from the island of Dominica, twelve-year-old Richard befriends the new student. He hopes Napoleon will learn to play baseball so the two can become the next Red Sox "Gold Dust Twins." But racial tension shatters the trust between them. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2000.

The Quarreling Book RC 51977
by Charlotte Zolotow
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette (Reissue)
A chain of unpleasant reactions begins one gray, rainy morning when Father forgets to kiss Mother good-bye as he leaves for work. Fortunately, a playful dog reverses the disagreeable mood and saves the day. For preschool-grade 2. 1963.

Players RC 51979
by Joyce Sweeney
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
Naive Corey, captain of his high school basketball team, readily accepts newcomer Noah as a member of the squad.

But as bad and illegal events start happening, Corey recognizes that Noah is evil and manipulates everyone. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

The Two Princesses of Bamarre RC 52087
by Gail Carson Levine
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Until Princess Meryl was struck with the Gray Death, Princess Addie had always been afraid of everything. Now Addie battles specters, gryphons, ogres, and dragons while seeking a cure for her sister. Along the way, she fulfills an ancient prophecy. For grades 5-8. Best-seller 2001.

Cliff-Hanger RC 52365
by Gloria Skurzynski and Alane Ferguson
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Jack, twelve, and his younger sister Ashley accompany their parents to Mesa Verde National Park, where their veterinarian mother is investigating reports of an attacking cougar. With them is a conniving temporary foster girl, thirteen-year-old Lucky, who has been separated from her scam-artist father. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Abiyoyo: Based on a South African Lullaby and Folk Story RC 52421
by Pete Seeger
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
A noisy boy and his father, a mischievous magician, are banished to the edge of town until they devise a clever scheme to save the townspeople from the dreaded giant Abiyoyo. For grades K-3. 1963.

Treasure Island RC 52436
by Robert Louis Stevenson
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Young Jim Hawkins finds a map in a dead seaman's possessions. His friends, Squire Trelawney and Doctor Livesey, realize it's a treasure map. They hire a ship, unaware that the crew includes the pirate Long John Silver. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1881.

The Wings of Merlin: The Lost Years of Merlin, Book 5 RC 52471
by T.A. Barron
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Mirror of Merlin (RC 49469)*, Merlin's fragile home on the isle of Fincayra is threatened by a mysterious warrior with swords for arms, and by Stangmar's escape from prison. Meanwhile, Merlin's life continues to move toward its ultimate destiny. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Constance: A Story of Early Plymouth RC 52496
by Patricia Clapp
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Constance Hopkins, a young English girl aboard the *Mayflower*, begins a journal in November 1620 that concludes after her marriage in February 1626, when life in Plymouth at last brings signs of happiness and an end to extreme hardship. For grades 6-9. 1968.

Ghost Trap: A Wild Willie Mystery RC 52510
by Barbara M. Joosse
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Willie is thrilled that his old best friend, Kyle, is moving back into the neighbor-

hood. Willie's new best friend, Lucy, is not as happy. But the three band together to investigate Kyle's mysterious house. For grades 2-4. 1998.

Ghost Boy RC 52513
by Iain Lawrence
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Shortly after World War II, an unhappy albino teenager runs away to join a circus, hoping to fit into their world. Harold makes friends with the sideshow performers and trains elephants to play baseball, but mostly he learns to accept himself. Some strong language. For grades 6-9. 2000.

Sign of the Dove RC 52532
by Susan Fletcher
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
As the last of the dragon eggs that were laid long ago begin to hatch, Lyf becomes a reluctant friend who tries to save both the dragon mothers and their newly born children from their enemies. Sequel to *Dragon's Milk (RC 36623)*. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1996.

Enchantress from the Stars RC 52616
by Sylvia Louise Engdahl
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes (Reissue)
When young Elana unexpectedly joins the team leaving the spaceship to study the planet Andrecia, she becomes an integral part of an adventure involving three very different civilizations, each one centered on the third planet from the star in its own solar system. For grades 6-9 and older readers. Newbery Honor. 1970.

The Serpent Slayer: And Other Stories of Strong Women RC 52627
retold by Katrin Tchana
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette
Eighteen folktales from various parts of the world featuring heroines who are brave and resourceful. In the title piece, fourteen-year-old Li Chi carries out her plan to cut off an enormous serpent's head, showing more courage than anyone else in her village. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 2000.

I See the Moon RC 52631
by C.B. Christiansen
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette
In Bitte's twelfth summer, she looks forward to becoming a loving aunt to her unwed fifteen-year-old sister's baby. She searches for an answer to the question "What is love?" Meanwhile she opposes her sister's decision to place the baby for adoption. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Quinceañera Means Sweet Fifteen RC 52653
by Veronica Chambers
read by Jacinda Bronaugh
1 cassette
In this companion to *Marisol and Magdalena (RC 48061)*, the Panamanian American girls from Brooklyn spend the year planning their traditional "quince" ceremonies that celebrate entering adulthood at age fifteen. Magda hangs around with the wrong crowd while Marisol has her first kiss. For grades 6-9. 2001.

The Coyote Bead RC 52685
by Gerald Hausman
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Arizona, 1864. American soldiers kill Tobachischin's Navajo parents and wound

him while attempting to relocate the tribe to a reservation. Tobachischin's shaman grandfather heals him and starts him on a literal and spiritual journey to defeat the enemy by reuniting the mystical coyote beads. Some violence. For grades 6-9. 1999.

Anastasia: The Last Grand Duchess RC 52699
by Carolyn Meyer
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
A fictional diary that could have been written by Anastasia, the youngest daughter of Tsar Nicholas II of Russia. She records the privileged life of the royal family before World War I and the tragic events that befell them between January 1914 and May 1918. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Fire Bringer RC 52711
by David Clement-Davies
read by Nick Sullivan
3 cassettes
When ancient Scotland was beset by Norse invaders, the deer were fighting their own war. Drail, a tyrannical stag and self-styled Lord of the Herds, is consolidating his power, when a prophesied and uniquely marked fawn—Rannoch—is born. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1999.

With Every Drop of Blood RC 52715
by James Lincoln Collier and Christopher Collier
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
Fourteen-year-old Johnny lives in Virginia's Shenandoah Valley during the Civil War. He is captured by Union soldiers, including young African American Cush Turner, a former slave. The two become well acquainted, and when they are attacked, Johnny helps Cush survive in the countryside. Some strong language. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Island of the Aunts RC 52716
by Eva Ibbotson
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
As caretakers of the Island, Aunt Myrtle, Aunt Etta, and Aunt Coral have always looked after its inhabitants, including seals, mermaids, selkies—and a few ghosts. But they are getting old and need help. So they go to London and kidnap three children—with surprising results. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Winners Take All RC 52814
by Fred Bowen
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Center fielder Kyle faces a moral dilemma when he cheats to win a championship baseball game. He takes the advice of his grandmother, an avid fan, and admits his fault. Later he wins another shot at the title for his coed team. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Slump RC 52828
by Dave Jarzyna
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
When thirteen-year-old Mitchie goes into a "slump"—arguing with family and friends, acting out in class, and quitting the soccer team—he worries that the situation will never change. He decides to take action and make amends for past wrongs. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1999.

Trapped between the Lash and the Gun: A Boy's Journey RC 52829
by Arvella Whitmore
read by John Polk
1 cassette
To get money for the Cobras, a street gang he has joined, twelve-year-old Jordan steals his grandpa's heirloom watch. But when he winds the watch, he travels back through time to join his ancestors who were slaves on a plantation. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Fireweed RC 52843
by Jill Paton Walsh
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette (Reissue)
Two teen-age runaways—known to each other as Julie and Bill—team up during the bombing raids on London in 1940. Their priorities are finding food and shelter and keeping away from the authorities, until family concerns raise issues that affect their relationship. Some strong language. For grades 6-9. 1969.

Friends and Enemies RC 52959
by LouAnn Gaeddert
read by Rick Foucheux
1 cassette
In Kansas, as America enters World War II, fourteen-year-old William, a Methodist preacher's son, feels pressured to join the local kids in beating up his good friend Jim and other Mennonites for their refusal to support the war efforts in any way. For grades 6-9. 2000.

Esperanza Rising RC 52960
by Pam Muñoz Ryan
read by Jacinda Bronaugh
1 cassette
Esperanza and her mother are forced to leave their wealthy and privileged life in Mexico to go work in the southern California agricultural labor camps. They must adapt to the harsh circumstances facing migrant farm workers on the eve of the Great Depression. For grades 6-9. 2000.

Edgar Allan RC 52963
by John Neufeld
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Michael, one of the four Fickett children, tells how a family decision becomes a problem in a prejudiced community when, in 1968, the Ficketts want to adopt three-year-old Edgar Allan—an African American. For grades 5-8. 1968.

Beyond the Burning Time RC 52965
by Kathryn Lasky
read by Colleen Delany
2 cassettes
Salem, Massachusetts; 1692. Twelve-year-old Mary is horrified by the growing hysteria as innocent people are identified as witches and executed. When her own widowed mother is accused of witchcraft and sentenced to hang, Mary takes action. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

Brady RC 52966
by Jean Fritz
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette (Reissue)
In 1836, a Pennsylvania community is bitterly divided on the slavery question. Young Brady is at first undecided, but eventually takes an antislavery stand and helps with the "Underground Railroad" activities. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1960.

The Hollow Tree RC 53001
by Janet Lunn
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
1777. Fifteen-year-old Phoebe Olcott's

father died fighting for the colonial rebels. Now she sees her beloved cousin hanged for being a Loyalist spy. Determined to complete his mission, Phoebe sets off alone into the wilderness to deliver his message to the British. For grades 6-9. 1997.

The First Horse I See RC 53002
by Sally M. Keehn
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette
When eighth-grader Willo buys an abused ex-racehorse called Tess, her preoccupied father gives her a deadline to have the animal tamed. With help from her friends, Willo works hard all summer only to have Tess act up at the wrong moment. For grades 5-8. 1999.

The Wish RC 53085
by Gail Carson Levine
read by Cyn Delafield
1 cassette
When eighth grader Wilma is granted one wish by a mysterious old lady on the subway, she asks to be the most popular kid in her school. School only lasts for another three weeks, so the spell soon wears off—but Wilma comes to understand the true meaning of friendship. For grades 5-8. 2000.

Dakota Dream RC 53086
by James Bennett
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
Floyd Rayfield, fifteen, who has lived in foster homes most of his life, believes his destiny is to become a Dakota warrior. No longer able to tolerate his situation, he heads for the Pine Ridge reservation to undergo a vision quest and find a place he really belongs. Some strong language. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Journey to Topaz: A Story of the Japanese American Evacuation RC 53088
by Yoshiko Uchida
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette (Reissue)
In 1942 Yuki Sakane, an eleven-year-old Japanese American, can hardly wait for Christmas. But her world is suddenly shattered when her father is arrested by the FBI and the family is imprisoned after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. Based on the author's own experience. For grades 4-7. 1971.

The Amazing Bone RC 53092
by William Steig
read by Colleen Delany
1 cassette (Reissue)
While dawdling on her way home from school one wonderful afternoon in spring, Pearl Pig finds a small bone that has fallen out of a witch's basket. For grades K-3. Caldecott Honor. 1976.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

El Cuidado de su Hijo del Dr. Spock (Dr. Spock's Baby and Child Care) RC 50999

por Benjamin Spock y
Michael B. Rothenberg
leído por Juan Ramírez
7 cassettes in 2 envases
Guía actualizada del célebre pediatra que ofrece una amplia gama de información y consejos para el cuidado de hijos. Incluye temas tales como el papel de los padres, la alimentación de niños, preguntas médicas, el uso del excusado, y la conducta y el manejo de hijos en diferentes edades. (Up-to-date and expanded guide by the famous pediatrician that offers a wide range of advice and information on child care. Discusses parental roles, children's nutrition, medical issues, toilet training, and behavior management for different age levels.) 1997.

El Poseído: La Bestia Toma Posesión (The Indwelling: The Beast Takes Possession) RC 51000

por Tim LaHaye y Jerry B. Jenkins
leído por Juan Ramírez
3 cassettes
A los cuarenta y dos meses de la Tribulación, el anticristo Nicolás Carpatia es asesinado, y sospechan a miembros del Comando Tribulación. Mientras cada miembro del Comando lucha para sobrevivir, millones de personas asisten al sepelio de Carpatia. De repente, Carpatia se levanta vivo de su ataúd prometiendo que sus enemigos todavía tendrán que encararse con las calamidades del Gran Tribulación. Sigue a *Asesinos (RC 50996)*. [Forty-two months into the Tribulation Nicolae Carpathia is assassinated and some of the Tribulation Force are suspects. As each member struggles for survival, millions prepare for the funeral. Suddenly Carpathia arises from his coffin and pledges that his attackers have yet to endure the Great Tribulation. Sequel to *Asesinos (RC 50996)*.] 1999.

Chocolate para el Alma de la Mujer: Setenta y Siete Relatos para Nutrir Su Espíritu y Reconfortar Su Corazón (Chocolate for a Woman's Heart: Seventy-seven Stories of Love, Kindness, and Compassion to Nourish Your Soul and Sweeten Your Dreams) RC 52880

por Kay Allenbaugh
leído por María Pino
2 cassettes
Mujeres de varios conocimientos y experiencias, incluso pastores, profesionales, novelistas, y madres, presentan ensayos sinceros sobre varios temas como religión, amor y salud mental. (Collection of heartfelt essays by a wide variety of female contributors, including ministers, professional speakers, novelists, and mothers. Topics range from divine intervention to falling in love to overcoming depression.) 1999.

Curas Naturales: Más de Cien Métodos y Remedios de la Medicina Alternativa (Natural Cures: More Than 100 Methods and Remedies of Alternative Medicine) RC 52881

leído por María Pino
2 cassettes
Los editores de la revista de salud *Prevention* identifican los métodos más efectivos y fáciles para tratar enfermedades en el propio hogar. Aplican

estos métodos a problemas de salud—la cardiopatía, el colesterol alto, la depresión, problemas de nervios y el sobrepeso.(Editors of the health magazine *Prevention* identify easy and effective methods to treat common ailments at home. These work for such common health concerns as heart disease, high cholesterol, depression, stress, and weight problems.) 1999.

El Sueño de América (America's Dream)
RC 52882
por Esmeralda Santiago
leído por María Pino
3 cassettes
Aunque América Gonzalez quita su empleo en Puerto Rico para trabajar con una familia en los Estados Unidos, no puede escapar su pasado. Su novio Correa—quien es casado y quien la pegue, pero que también es el padre de Rosalinda su hija de catorce años—no la deja en paz. (Although América Gonzalez quits her job in Puerto Rico to work with a family in the United States, she cannot escape her past. Her lover, Correa—who is married and beats her but is also the father of Rosalinda, her fourteen-year-old daughter—pursues her.) 1996.

La Marca: La Bestia Controla al Mundo (The Mark: The Beast Rules the World)
RC 52883
por Tim LaHaye y Jerry B. Jenkins
leído por Juan Ramírez
3 cassettes
A los tres días del Gran Tribulación, Nicolás Carpatia se proclama el verdadero Cristo. Pero a mucha gente se le considera el gran Satanás. El Comando Tribulación lucha para sobrevivir, mientas Carpatia manda que todo el mundo reciba la Marca—un tatuaje visible y una ficha subcutánea—a no encararse con la guillotina. Sigue a *El Poseído (RC 51000)*. [Three days into the Great Tribulation, Nicolae Carpathia is proclaiming himself the true Christ. Yet many see him as Satan. The Tribulation Force struggles to survive, as Carpathia orders all people to receive the Mark (a visible tattoo and an implanted biochip) or face the guillotine. Sequel to *El Poseído (RC 51000)*.] 2000.

Jorge el Curioso (Curious George)
RC 52885
por H.A. Rey
leído por María Pino
1 cassette
Jorge el curioso es un monito bien travieso. Cuando se va a la cuidad con el hombre que lleva un gran sombrero de paja amarillo, tiene muchas aventuras. Para grados K-3.(Curious George is a mischievous monkey. When he goes to the city with the man in the yellow straw hat, Curious George has many adventures. For grades K-3.) 1990.

Magazines on Cassette

For a free subscription to these magazines, contact your cooperating library.

American Heritage (8 issues)

Analog Science Fiction and Fact (11 issues)

Asimov's Science Fiction (11 issues)

The Atlantic Monthly (11 issues; combined issue July–August)

Das Beste aus *Reader's Digest* (German; 12 issues)

Bon Appétit (monthly)

Buenhogar (Spanish; monthly)

Choice Magazine Listening (on loan from cooperating libraries, bimonthly)

Consumer Reports (monthly)

Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (bimonthly)

Cricket (for children, on one cassette with **National Geographic World**, monthly)

Diabetes Forecast (monthly)

Discover (monthly)

Ebony (monthly)

Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)

Foreign Affairs (6 issues)

Good Housekeeping (monthly plus special issues)

Health and Nutrition Newsletters (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, Healthline, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty, Mayo Clinic Health Letter,** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter,** monthly)

Journal Français (French; monthly)

Magazine of the Month (monthly)

Money (monthly plus special issues)

The Musical Mainstream (quarterly)

The Nation (47 issues)

National Geographic (monthly)

National Geographic World (for children and teens, on one cassette with **Cricket,** monthly)

National Review (25 issues)

The *New York Times* Book Review (weekly)

Outdoor Life (10 issues; combined issues June–July, December–January)

People Weekly (weekly plus special issues)

QST (monthly)

Quarterly Music Magazine (quarterly)

Selecciones del *Reader's Digest* (Spanish; monthly)

Sélections du *Reader's Digest* (French; monthly)

Smart Computing (monthly)

Sound & Vision (10 issues)

Spider: The Magazine for Children (monthly)

Sports Illustrated (weekly plus special issues)

Sports Illustrated for Kids (monthly)

Talking Book Topics (bimonthly, also contains selections from NLS News irregularly)

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Arizona	Phoenix	800-255-5578	(602) 255-5578
Arkansas	Little Rock	866-660-0885	(501) 682-1155
California	Los Angeles	800-808-2555	(323) 660-3880
	Sacramento	800-952-5666	(916) 654-0640
Colorado	Denver	800-685-2136	(303) 727-9277
Connecticut	Rocky Hill	800-842-4516	(860) 566-2151
Delaware	Dover	800-282-8676	(302) 739-4748
District of Columbia	Washington		(202) 727-2142
Florida	Daytona Beach	800-226-6075	(386) 239-6000
Georgia	Atlanta	800-248-6701	(404) 756-4619
Hawaii	Honolulu	800-559-4096	(808) 733-8444
Guam	Agana		(671) 475-4753
Idaho	Boise	800-233-4931	(208) 334-2117
Illinois	Springfield	800-665-5576	(217) 782-9435
Indiana	Indianapolis	800-622-4970	(317) 232-3684
Iowa	Des Moines	800-362-2587	(515) 281-1333
Kansas	Emporia	800-362-0699	(316) 343-7124
Kentucky	Frankfort	800-372-2968	(502) 564-8300
Louisiana	Baton Rouge	800-543-4702	(225) 342-4944
Maine	Augusta	800-762-7106	(207) 287-5650
Maryland	Baltimore	800-964-9209	(410) 230-2424
Massachusetts	Watertown	800-852-3133	(617) 972-7240
Michigan	Lansing	800-992-9012	(517) 373-5614
	Westland	888-968-2737	(734) 727-7300
Minnesota	Faribault	800-722-0550	(507) 333-4828
Mississippi	Jackson	800-446-0892	(601) 961-4111
Missouri	Jefferson City	800-392-2614	(573) 751-8720
Montana	Helena	800-332-3400	(406) 444-2064
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New York	Albany	800-342-3688	(518) 474-5935
	New York City		(212) 206-5400
North Carolina	Raleigh	888-388-2460	(919) 733-4376
North Dakota	Bismarck	800-843-9948	(701) 328-1408
Ohio	Cincinnati	800-582-0335	(513) 369-6999
	Cleveland	800-362-1262	(216) 623-2911
Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	800-523-0288	(405) 521-3514
Oregon	Salem	800-452-0292	(503) 378-3849
	Portland		(503) 224-0610
Pennsylvania	Philadelphia	800-222-1754	(215) 683-3213
	Pittsburgh	800-242-0586	(412) 687-2440
Puerto Rico	San Juan	800-981-8008	(787) 723-2519
Rhode Island	Providence	800-734-5141	(401) 222-5800
South Carolina	Columbia	800-922-7818	(803) 734-4611
South Dakota	Pierre	800-423-6665	(605) 773-3131
Tennessee	Nashville	800-342-3308	(615) 741-3915
Texas	Austin	800-252-9605	(512) 463-5458
Utah	Salt Lake City	800-662-5540	(801) 715-6789
Vermont	Berlin	800-479-1711	(802) 828-3273
Virgin Islands	St. Croix		(340) 772-2250
Virginia	Richmond	800-552-7015	(804) 371-3661
Washington	Seattle	800-542-0866	(206) 615-0400
West Virginia	Charleston	800-642-8674	(304) 558-4061
Wisconsin	Milwaukee	800-242-8822	(414) 286-3045
Wyoming	Salt Lake City, Ut.	800-453-4293	(801) 715-6789

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Publications Survey

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Information for Travelers

A new reference circular, *Information for Travelers with Physical or Visual Disabilities* (2002) has been produced and is available in large print and online at <www.loc.gov/nls/reference/circulars/travelers.html>.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

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Cassettes Nonfiction

The Serpent's Tongue: Prose, Poetry, and Art of the New Mexico Pueblos
RC 45970
edited by Nancy Wood
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Anthology of folktales, poems, memoirs, and historical pieces chronicling five hundred years of Pueblo Indian culture. The authors range from conquistadores to anthropologists to the Native Americans themselves. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1997.

The Fearless Flier's Handbook: Learning to Beat the Fear of Flying with the Experts from the Qantas Clinic
RC 50440
by Debbie Seaman
read by Candy Shannon
2 cassettes
A 1994 graduate of the Australian Fearless Flying clinic interviews aviation experts and fellow alumni to provide tips on overcoming anxiety during flights. Topics include bad weather, jet maintenance, and air traffic control. Explains how huge planes manage to stay up in the air. 1998.

William M. Kunstler: The Most Hated Lawyer in America RC 50561
by David J. Langum
read by Don Feldheim
4 cassettes
Biography of the controversial radical lawyer who took on cases that no one else wanted. Among those he defended were Black Panthers, Vietnam War protesters, the Attica prison insurgents, and American Indian Movement members, as well as mobsters. Analyzes Kunstler's major trials and looks at his exuberant personal life. 1999.

Ray Charles: Man and Music
RC 50564
by Michael Lydon
read by Lindsay Ellison
4 cassettes
Traces Charles's life from his youth in Greenville, Florida. Recalls his vision loss in early childhood, his years at the Florida School for the Deaf and Blind, his mother's death, and his rise to fame as a musician, performer, and businessman. Describes his lifelong friendships with Quincy Jones, David Newman, and Leroy Cooper. 1998.

Tupperware: The Promise of Plastic in 1950s America RC 50566
by Alison J. Clarke
read by Jeremy Gage
2 cassettes
A cultural history of Tupperware that "explores the processes by which objects of mass consumption are appropriated as meaningful artifacts of everyday life...and why some objects come to matter more than others do." Discusses the designs of inventor Earl Tupper and the Tupperware home parties concept developed by Brownie Wise. 1999.

All the President's Men RC 50574
by Carl Bernstein and Bob Woodward
read by Dan Bloom
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Two Pulitzer Prize-winning *Washington Post* reporters chronicle their investigation of the Watergate scandal, which began as a burglary of the Democratic National Committee Headquarters on June 17, 1972. They explain the events that precipitated their first suspicions and led them to ascertain the truth. Some strong language. Bestseller 1974.

Chasing Monarchs: Migrating with the Butterflies of Passage RC 50575
by Robert Michael Pyle
read by Dan Bloom
3 cassettes
The author recounts tracking the annual monarch butterfly migration from British Columbia to Mexico. He describes their behavior during this mass movement in an anecdotal natural history journal, while trailing them the length of North America. Contains scientific facts, humorous reminiscences, and vivid observations of his trip. 1999.

Tha Doggfather: The Times, Trials, and Hardcore Truths of Snoop Dogg RC 50580
by Snoop Dogg
read by Don Feldheim
2 cassettes
Autobiography by rap star Snoop Dogg, describing his youth in a Los Angeles ghetto and his strong belief in God. Recounts his success in the music field during the early 1990s, the murder of his friend Tupac Shakur, and his own trouble with the law. Strong language and some violence. 1999.

Days of Infamy: Military Blunders of the Twentieth Century RC 50582
by Michael Coffey
read by Len Mailloux
2 cassettes
In this companion to the History Channel's television series, incidents of military and political blundering are analyzed along with their consequences. Includes the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand, whose driver had gotten lost in Sarajevo; the 1944 plot to kill Adolf Hitler; the 1968 Vietnamese Tet Offensive; and the Bay of Pigs. 1999.

The Emperors of Chocolate: Inside the Secret World of Hershey and Mars RC 50762
by Joël Glenn Brenner
read by Conrad Feininger
3 cassettes
Behind-the-scenes examination of two rivals in the secretive chocolate industry. History of the business empires and the dictators who built them: Forrest Mars Sr. and Milton Hershey. Discusses the production of chocolate, its financial market, and social customs associated with it. 1999.

Coming Up Roses: The Broadway Musical in the 1950s RC 50764
by Ethan Mordden
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
Discusses how the musical theater of the 1950s was revolutionized by the development of the long-playing record, which enabled the quick production of original-cast recordings. Musical comedies dominated the era with shows such as *Guys and Dolls*, *The Music Man*, and *Can-Can*. 1998.

The Renaissance: A Short History RC 51256
by Paul Johnson
read by Miriam Wagner
2 cassettes
A brief survey of the Renaissance, including the historic and economic background of the period; its art, literature, and architecture; and its eventual decline. 2000.

Muhammad Ali: The World's Champion RC 51330
by John Tessitore
read by Chuck Young
1 cassette
Biography of the champion boxer, tracing his childhood, athletic career, religious conversion, and charitable activities. Born Cassius Marcellus Clay Jr., Ali rose to fame by winning a gold medal in the 1960 Olympics, but later was criticized for his refusal to serve in Vietnam. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Seeing through Places: Reflections on Geography and Identity RC 51346
by Mary Gordon
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
Eight autobiographical pieces contemplating some of the places the author has lived and their influence on her emotional and physical well-being. Gordon explores her childhood reactions to being a visitor in her grandmother's house and then moving in to stay; she also describes her favorite residence, on Cape Cod. 2000.

License to Steal: The Secret World of Wall Street and the Systematic Plundering of the American Investor RC 51500
by Anonymous and Timothy Harper
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes
An inside view of Wall Street investment firms of the 1990s, illustrating how brokers often mislead their clients and abuse their trust. Using the device of a fictitious salesman, Burtelsohn, the authors suggest that portfolio managers are motivated solely to earn profits for themselves, rather than investors. 1999.

TulipoMania: The Story of the World's Most Coveted Flower and the Extraordinary Passions It Aroused RC 51515
by Mike Dash
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
Natural and economic history of the tulip, from its origins in Central Asia to its phenomenal popularity in seventeenth-century Europe. Examines the craze for tulip bulbs in the Netherlands in the 1630s—when a rare bulb fetched a higher price than a masterpiece by Rembrandt—and the repercussions when the futures market crashed. 1999.

June 8, 2004: Venus in Transit
RC 51527
by Eli Maor
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
In anticipation of the 2004 passage of Venus across the sun—among the rarest of astronomical events—mathematician Maor records the history of the five previously observed transits of Venus, as the phenomenon is technically called, in 1639, 1761, 1769, 1874, and 1882. 2000.

Marian Anderson: A Singer's Journey
RC 51536
by Allan Keiler
read by John Hammock
5 cassettes
Biography of the African American contralto who began singing as a child in Philadelphia. Anderson toured in America before sojourning in Europe during 1928 for more opportunities. She became renowned for her 1939 Easter concert at the Lincoln Memorial after being denied Constitution Hall by the Daughters of the American Revolution. 2000.

Tyrannosaurus Sue: The Extraordinary Saga of the Largest, Most Fought Over *T. rex* Ever Found RC 51544
by Steve Fiffer
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
A lawyer/journalist recounts the 1990 discovery by Sue Hendrickson of the 90-percent-complete *T. rex* specimen and the subsequent battle for possession by multiple claimants. Explores the scientific and legal aspects of the case that culminated in a 1997 auction at Sotheby's in which Chicago's Field Museum offered the winning bid. 2000.

Down Syndrome RC 51596
by Salvatore Tocci
read by Jacinda Bronaugh
1 cassette
Facts versus misconceptions about Down syndrome. Chapters focus on successive stages in the lives of people with this condition, from infancy through adulthood; family relationships; and future prospects based on genetic research. For junior and senior high readers. 2000.

In Search of the Golden Frog RC 51745
by Marty Crump
read by Nanette Savard
3 cassettes
A field biologist chronicles three decades of her life spent researching reptiles and amphibians in South and Central America. Discusses the natural history, population decline, and reproduction systems of several species—especially the golden toad of Costa Rica. Documents the region's diverse landscapes, traditions, and culture. 2000.

Bobos in Paradise: The New Upper Class and How They Got There RC 51755
by David Brooks
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
The author's view of a late-twentieth-century American elite, a highly educated meritocracy that incorporates bohemian and bourgeois elements of popular culture from the 1960s and 1980s. These "bobos" often demand a high income and, at the same time, pursue free-spirited ideals, seeking both material and spiritual fulfillment. Best-seller 2000.

Buddha RC 51841
by Karen Armstrong
read by Jennifer Mendenhall
2 cassettes
A biographical study of the revered religious leader, traditionally thought to have died in India in 483 B.C. Traces the main events of his life, from his renunciation of family through his quest for enlightenment, as evidenced in his teachings. Examines his philosophy for its message to humanity. Bestseller 2001.

Squandering Aimlessly: My Adventures in the American Marketplace RC 51842
by David Brancaccio
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
The host of *Marketplace*—Public Radio International's business news hour—provides insights into common concerns about money. Explores various ways people say they would handle an unexpected financial windfall; examples include real estate investment, a shopping spree, and casino gambling. Also presents advice on coping with the social impacts of sudden wealth. 2000.

How to Be Born Again RC 51855
by Billy Graham
read by Don Nelson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Veteran Christian evangelist explains the phrase "born again" as a biblical message that dates back two thousand years. Outlines the steps that can lead to a personal and religious turnabout. 1977.

Shackleton's Forgotten Men: The Untold Tragedy of the *Endurance* Epic RC 51969
by Lennard Bickel
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
In 1915 Shackleton's expedition was marooned in ice on one side of Antarctica. Meanwhile, on the other side a small team of men and dogs persevered to supply food depots for Shackleton's expected transcontinental crossing. Relates the attendant tragedies of the 2,000-mile sledge journey to fulfill an obligation of honor. 2000.

True Summit: What Really Happened on the Legendary Ascent of Annapurna RC 51971
by David Roberts
read by Ted Stoddard
2 cassettes
Relying on differing accounts of the climbers, Roberts chronicles the 1950 ascent by Herzog, Lachenal, Rebuffat, and others to the summit of Annapurna, the world's tenth highest mountain. Asserts that the team was equally responsible for the success, though only Herzog received accolades for the great French mountaineering venture. 2000.

Red Grange and the Rise of Modern Football RC 51972
by John M. Carroll
read by Michael Consoli
2 cassettes
Highlights the career and influence of football's first superstar, Red Grange (1903–1991), beginning with the famous 1924 Illinois-Michigan collegiate game. Grange, the first player to have an agent when he signed with George Halas's Chicago Bears, continued to

promote the sport as a broadcaster and coach after his playing days. 1999.

The Alex Studies: Cognitive and Communicative Abilities of Grey Parrots RC 51983
by Irene Maxine Pepperberg
read by Colleen Delany
5 cassettes
After twenty years spent researching large-brained, highly social parrots, a science professor concludes that a male African Grey named Alex has a vocabulary of about 100 words; has learned to identify objects, categorize, and employ terms of reference; and has mastered such concepts as absence and relative size. 1999.

Collected Poems in English RC 51984
by Joseph Brodsky
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
A collection of all the poems by Brodsky (1940–1996) that appeared in book form in English during his lifetime. Includes mainly translations but also poems composed in English by the Russian-born Nobel Prize winner who served as Poet Laureate of the United States in 1991 and 1992. 2000.

The New Lifetime Legal Guide RC 52091
by Steven Mitchell Sack
read by Butch Hoover
4 cassettes
Sack—a practicing attorney, author, and lecturer—addresses the legal needs of a typical family by offering "a lawyer's wisdom and experience . . . whatever your concern or problem." He presents hundreds of strategies for dealing with issues such as abuse, civil rights, consumer transactions, employment, cohabitation, and wills. 1998.

Absolute Power: The Legacy of Corruption in the Clinton-Reno Justice Department RC 52167
by David Limbaugh
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
A polemical account of the Justice Department under President Bill Clinton. In support of his charges of bias and corruption against Clinton-appointed attorney general Janet Reno, Limbaugh introduces evidence from the Waco disaster, the White House travel agency scandal, the Elian Gonzalez case, and the tobacco company prosecutions. Bestseller 2001.

The Book of Psalms RC 52186
read by Ted Stoddard
1 cassette
Complete and unabridged collection of the 150 psalms from the King James version of the Bible. 1993.

Liberators: Latin America's Struggle for Independence, 1810–1830 RC 52315
by Robert Harvey
read by Peter Gil
5 cassettes
Describes early nineteenth-century struggles to achieve independence from Spain and Portugal in South America. Portrays the life and times of seven "liberators," including Simón Bolívar, Bernardo O'Higgins, José de San Martín, Emperor Pedro I, Augustín de Itúrbide, Francisco de Miranda, and Admiral Lord Cochrane. Assesses their continuing legacies. 2000.

The Broadview Anthology of Victorian Poetry and Poetic Theory RC 52409
read by George Holmes
8 cassettes in 2 containers
Large selection of poems from major nineteenth-century English poets, in-

cluding women; representative pieces from lesser-known poets; and essays on poetic theory. Among those presented, in roughly chronological order, are Hemans, Landon, the Brownings, Tennyson, Lear, Brontë, Arnold, the Rossettis, Swinburne, Hardy, Hopkins, Field, Meynell, Wilde, Kipling, Johnson, and Mew. 2000.

Jazz: A History of America's Music RC 52433

by Geoffrey C. Ward
read by Peter Jay Fernandez
5 cassettes
In this companion to Ken Burns's ten-part PBS documentary, Ward discusses the history of jazz in the context of twentieth-century American history. His stories of the men and women who created this American art form include such greats as Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington, Benny Goodman, Dave Brubeck, and Ella Fitzgerald. 2000.

Einstein in Love: A Scientific Romance RC 52487

by Dennis Overbye
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
A biographical portrait of the Nobel Prize-winning physicist, focusing on his productive, youthful years in the first two decades of the 1900s. Provides a detailed treatment of Einstein's romantic and family affairs while discussing his scientific theories. Based on correspondence and documents that became available in the 1990s. 2000.

Comfort Me with Apples: More Adventures at the Table RC 52508

by Ruth Reichl
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Reichl discusses her decision to become a restaurant critic and the events that followed. She recounts the near disaster of her first on-the-job dinner, meetings with renowned food writers, world travels, an affair with a famous editor, and two marriages. Includes recipes. Sequel to *Tender at the Bone (RC 46069)*. Bestseller 2001.

The Greatest Threat: Iraq, Weapons of Mass Destruction, and the Crisis of Global Security RC 52515

by Richard Butler
read by David Myers
2 cassettes
Former director of a United Nations commission established after the Gulf War to prevent Iraq from creating arsenals of mass destruction argues that nuclear, biological, and chemical weapons threaten civilization. Butler also details the commission's failed efforts to stop Saddam Hussein's military development. 2000.

Hormone Deception: How Everyday Foods and Products Are Disrupting Your Hormones—and How to Protect Yourself and Your Family RC 52520

by D. Lindsey Berkson
read by Erin Jones
3 cassettes
Practical advice on avoiding exposure to man-made, hormone-disrupting chemicals and on self-detoxification. Discusses selecting the safest foods and products; safeguarding the home, room by room; and protecting children's health and intelligence. 2000.

The Pushcart Prize XXV: Best of the Small Presses, 2001 RC 52528

edited by Bill Henderson
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
This twenty-fifth anniversary edition

collects seventy-four works from fifty-four literary presses. Contains a broad selection of poetry, an essay by Nobel laureate Seamus Heaney, and stories by Kathleen Hill, Bonnie Jo Campbell, Joyce Carol Oates, and Eudora Welty. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Arrogance of Power: The Secret World of Richard Nixon RC 52529
by Anthony Summers
read by Richard Hauenstein
6 cassettes
Scathing study of the thirty-seventh U.S. president based on interviews with his psychiatrist and contemporaries. Suggests that Nixon's flawed character, love of intrigue, and money led to criminal behavior that began in California and continued through Watergate. Strong language. 2000.

A Brief History of the Future: From Radio Days to Internet Years in a Lifetime RC 52531
by John Naughton
read by Randy Davidson
3 cassettes
Traces the history, growth, and development of the Internet from the massive computers of the 1930s and 1940s to the high-tech, high-speed machines of the 1990s. Honors its heroes and reviews their achievements in developing the World Wide Web, crediting the U.S. Defense Department with creating the first electronic networks. 2000.

Mayo Clinic Heart Book: The Ultimate Guide to Heart Health RC 52570
read by Kerry Cundiff
4 cassettes
Guide to the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of various types of cardiovascular disease. Describes the human heart, its function, and potential problems. Offers suggestions for dealing with the risks of coronary artery disease and recognizing its symptoms. Includes information on medications and tests, rehabilitation, and emergency care. 2000.

Losing the Race: Self-Sabotage in Black America RC 52632
by John H. McWhorter
read by Bob Moore
3 cassettes
African American professor rejects the idea that white racism is the main obstacle to success. Outlines the three beliefs he says prevent black achievement: victimology, separatism, and anti-intellectualism. Also discusses affirmative action, ebonics, and suggestions for the future. Some strong language. 2000.

The Mystery of Capital: Why Capitalism Triumphs in the West and Fails Everywhere Else RC 52633
by Hernando de Soto
read by Michael Consoli
2 cassettes
The author explains capitalism's failure in developing countries and offers a practical plan for transforming weak economies. Observing that citizens of these nations often lack registered titles to their property, he argues that governments must establish legally integrated systems of ownership and markets to convert work and savings to capital and reward individual enterprise. 2000.

Rejuvenate! (It's Never Too Late) RC 52657
by Eartha Kitt
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
Award-winning performer shares tips that have helped her maintain a vital

mind and body. Recalling incidents from her seventy-four years of varied and vigorous experiences, Kitt discusses the benefits of deep breathing, exercise, sensible eating habits, and avoiding materialistic clutter. Bestseller 2001.

Mary Wollstonecraft: A Revolutionary Life RC 52729
by Janet Todd
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
5 cassettes
A biography of the spirited eighteenth-century English writer and feminist. Discusses the origins of her strong-willed, independent thinking, the writings it engendered, and the scandals of her unconventional behavior. Places her published writings in historical context and examines her intellectual legacy. 2000.

Joan of Arc: Her Story RC 52731
by Régine Pernoud and Marie Véronique Clin
read by Suzanne Toren
4 cassettes
The historically documented life of the unschooled young French woman Joan of Arc (1412–1431), who led military troops to victory while still a teenager. Includes details of her imprisonment and execution for heresy at nineteen and the nullification trial decades after her death that reversed the earlier decision. 1986.

Freedom's Daughters: The Unsung Heroines of the Civil Rights Movement from 1830 to 1970 RC 52736
by Lynne Olson
read by Gail Nelson
4 cassettes
A journalist highlights women's contributions to the struggle for civil rights in the United States. Beginning with the antislavery movements of the South, through the Civil Rights era, to contemporary feminist issues, Olson describes the works of both black and white women who fought for freedom and equality. 2001.

You Will Dream New Dreams: Inspiring Personal Stories by Parents of Children with Disabilities RC 52795
edited by Stanley D. Klein and Kim Schive
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
More than sixty essays by parents who are raising physically or mentally handicapped children. Includes advice, anecdotes, and words of wisdom. Lists state and national resource centers. Introduction by former U.S. attorney general Dick Thornburgh. 2001.

An All-Consuming Century: Why Commercialism Won in Modern America RC 52804
by Gary Cross
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
Traces the development and triumph of American consumerism in the twentieth century. Focuses on the introduction of Ford's "Model T" cars, the impact of amusement parks, the advent of department stores, radio and promotion of domesticity, and altered consumption patterns on the fast-food model. Argues that commercialism will continue to shape the nation's culture. 2000.

Double Fold: Libraries and the Assault on Paper RC 52808
by Nicholson Baker
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
Novelist and library activist Baker opposes the library practice of microfilm-

ing and then discarding old printed materials. He argues against the purported brittle-paper crisis and pleads for retaining old books and newspapers to be perused in their original format. 2001.

The Signers of the Declaration of Independence RC 52815
by Robert G. Ferris and
Richard E. Morris
read by Randy Atcher
2 cassettes
Brief biographies of each of the fifty-six patriots who signed the American Declaration of Independence and were subsequently branded as traitors to the English crown. Includes text, summary, and historical background of the 1776 document. 1973.

How to Expand and Upgrade PCs RC 52822
by Preston Gralla
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
Explains how and why to change a personal computer's hardware to increase its speed, memory, or hard-drive capacity. Teaches how to add digital cameras, printers, scanners, cable modems, drives, and other technology. Lists needed tools. 2001.

The Best American Science Writing, 2000 RC 52825
edited by James Gleick
read by Tom Burch
3 cassettes
Nineteen articles ranging across topics in cutting-edge scientific inquiry from astronomy and cognition to visual perception, evolutionary theory, and the study of ants. Opens with "When Doctors Make Mistakes" by Atul Gawande, explaining the complexity of a heart-wrenching problem. Other contributors include Douglas R. Hofstadter, Oliver Sacks, and Stephen Jay Gould. 2000.

A History of the Wife RC 52826
by Marilyn Yalom
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Stanford University cultural scholar presents the evolution of European and American women's experience of marriage. Examines the Judeo-Christian marital tradition and the changing role of the wife from biblical times to the twenty-first century. Discusses the impact of the depression era and World War II on the institution. 2001.

Credit Card Nation: The Consequences of America's Addiction to Credit RC 52827
by Robert D. Manning
read by Butch Hoover
4 cassettes
Robert Manning, an economist and sociologist, examines the damaging social, economic, and political consequences of America's increasing dependence on credit cards and its culture of debt. Using personal interviews, he focuses on the nation's attitudes toward investments. He argues that reliance on loans will lead to financial ruin, hardship, and moral decadence. 2000.

The Invisible Heart: Economics and Family Values RC 52832
by Nancy Folbre
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
An economist examines the provision of care for children and elderly and disabled people in a competitive market society. Folbre observes that with many women working outside the home, the personal care system evolved in an earlier era has been eroded. She pro-

poses measures for balancing economic self-interest and social welfare. 2001.

Beer and Circus: How Big-Time College Sports Is Crippling Undergraduate Education RC 52838
by Murray Sperber
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
Chronicles the development of the American university system, the undergraduate subculture, and sports programs within higher education. Argues that greater prominence in athletics means less money spent on academic concerns. Describes corporate sponsorship conflicts and how enrollment often soars following a school's appearance on national television. 2000.

The Two-Ocean War: A Short History of the United States Navy in the Second World War RC 52841
by Samuel Eliot Morison
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
Describes the major sea battles and campaigns of World War II, beginning with the unexpected attack on Pearl Harbor and the subsequent struggle in the Pacific. Traces naval operations in the Mediterranean and the Atlantic, including U-boat attacks on the eastern seaboard of the United States. 1963.

Sundays Down South: A Pastor's Stories RC 52845
by James O. Chatham
read by Randy Atcher
2 cassettes
A Presbyterian Church pastor presents a collection of stories from parishes in Virginia, Mississippi, North Carolina, and Kentucky that portray the culture and values of the South. Addressing daily life, these accounts depict heroism and tragedy, ingenuity and vanity. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1999.

Rattling the Cage: Toward Legal Rights for Animals RC 52849
by Steven M. Wise
read by Tom Burch
3 cassettes
Argues strongly that the best way to end cruelty to animals in the name of laboratory research would be to extend their rights under the law. Reviews legal treatment of nonhumans since ancient times, examines scientific evidence of similarities between apes and people, and proposes "personhood" status for chimpanzees. 2000.

The Korean War, 1950–53 RC 52853
by Brian Catchpole
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
History of the Korean War—the first war waged by the United Nations—written from a British perspective. Describes the air, sea, and land battles; the conditions of the prisoners of war; propaganda and public opinion; the contributions of the Commonwealth nations; the armistice; and results of the conflict. 2000.

The Sacred Willow: Four Generations in the Life of a Vietnamese Family RC 52856
by Duong Van Mai Elliott
read by Jill Fox
4 cassettes
Elliott offers a portrait of the Duong clan of northern Vietnam, from their service as high-ranking mandarins in the imperial court to their dispersal as boat people at the end of the Vietnam War. She discusses social, cultural, and political events that affected her extended family over four generations. 1999.

Swing It! The Andrews Sisters Story
RC 52861
by John Sforza
read by Sharon Murray
3 cassettes
Chronicles the career of the Andrews Sisters from Minneapolis—Patty, Maxene, and LaVerne—who epitomize the big-band era of the 1940s. The versatile trio sang together for three decades, recorded more than six hundred songs, and made seventeen movies despite their sibling squabbles. Includes a discography and a filmography. 2000.

Newjack: Guarding Sing Sing
RC 52863
by Ted Conover
read by Tom Burch
3 cassettes
A journalist's account of one year spent as a corrections officer in New York State. Conover's fascination with prisons led him to become a guard. He describes his training and his year on the job, with its moments of horror and grace. Includes a brief history of Sing Sing. Strong language and some violence. 2000.

The Power of Gold: The History of an Obsession RC 52864
by Peter L. Bernstein
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
A social and cultural analysis of gold's two main interdependent functions as adornment and money. Begins with the magical and religious attributes of gold and proceeds to the historical transformation of gold into money. Recounts tales of men obsessed with this precious metal and shows how it has shaped human destiny. 2000.

The Guide to Living with HIV Infection: Developed at the Johns Hopkins AIDS Clinic RC 52878
by John G. Bartlett and
Ann K. Finkbeiner
read by John Polk
4 cassettes
A definitive guide for patients and their families in dealing with HIV infection. Offers practical medical, emotional, and financial advice as well as social and legal guidance. Includes information on available research, drugs, and tests. 2001.

The Road to Wealth: A Comprehensive Guide to Your Money; Everything You Need to Know in Good and Bad Times
RC 52889
by Suze Orman
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
5 cassettes
Orman states that everyone should create a strong financial foundation and that "money is not stagnant; it is ever-changing. It means different things . . . at different points in our lives." She discusses debt management, home ownership, insurance, college funds, retirement planning, stocks and bonds, and wills and trusts. Bestseller 2001.

Justice: Crimes, Trials, and Punishments
RC 52897
by Dominick Dunne
read by Rick Foucheux
3 cassettes
Articles originally published in *Vanity Fair* about the celebrity trials the author covered. He describes the cases of his daughter's murderer, John Sweeney; O.J. Simpson; the Menendez brothers; and Claus von Bülow. Highlights failings of the legal system, concluding that

the rich are tried differently. Strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Vikings: The North Atlantic Saga RC 52941
edited by William W. Fitzhugh and Elisabeth I. Ward
read by Catherine Byers
5 cassettes
In celebration of the 1,000-year anniversary of the arrival of the Vikings in North America, the Smithsonian Institution provides a history of these explorers, emphasizing their territorial expansionist aims. Uses information from manuscripts and oral tradition and data from archaeological sites and natural science. Preface by Hillary Rodham Clinton. 2000.

China's Imperial Past: An Introduction to Chinese History and Culture RC 52942
by Charles O. Hucker
read by Peter Johnson
4 cassettes
A history of China from the earliest civilization to 1850. Describes the society, government, philosophy, literature, and art under the different dynasties. 1975.

The Columbia Guide to Modern Chinese History RC 52943
by R. Keith Schoppa
read by Ralph Lowenstein
4 cassettes
A history of China from 1780 to 2000, outlining its transition from a traditional society to a world power. Includes the consequences of Western imperialism, early twentieth-century cultural upheavals, continuing social transformation, and economic disasters. 2000.

Notes from the Hyena's Belly: An Ethiopian Boyhood RC 52944
by Nega Mezlekia
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
The author relates stories and myths from his youth in Jigiga, Ethiopia. Mezlekia recalls that, as the nation's feudalism gave way to Marxism, he found himself in a revolutionary student cell and later became a teenage guerrilla. He survived imprisonment, famine, turmoil, and near execution by a firing squad. Governor General's Award. 2000.

Fragments: The Collected Wisdom of Heraclitus RC 52946
by Heraclitus of Ephesus
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
Free verse translation by poet Brooks Haxton of the surviving sayings and thoughts of the ancient Greek philosopher Heraclitus of Ephesus. One familiar fragment as rendered by Haxton reads: "The river/ where you set/ your foot just now/ is gone—/ those waters/ giving way to this,/ now this." 2001.

Prime Time: The African American Woman's Complete Guide to Midlife Health and Wellness RC 52954
by Marilyn Hughes Gaston and Gayle K. Porter
read by Annie Wauters
4 cassettes
A physician and a clinical psychologist give advice on dealing with medical problems that commonly afflict African American women in middle age, including heart disease, stroke, cancer, and diabetes. They also discuss psychological issues such as stress, depression, and negative attitudes that can affect one's health. 2001.

The Change before the Change: Everything You Need to Know to Stay Healthy in the Decade before Menopause RC 52957
by Laura E. Corio and Linda G. Kahn
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
A physician explains the physical changes that occur in women prior to menopause during the period called "perimenopause." Details symptoms, body functions, and treatments—including medical and herbal—that are available and may help women make a comfortable transition to their next stage of life. 2000.

American Chica: Two Worlds, One Childhood RC 52964
by Marie Arana
read by MaryBeth Wise
2 cassettes
Editor of the *Washington Post Book World* recounts her bicultural upbringing in South America in the 1950s as the daughter of a Peruvian engineer married to a blonde American musician. She reminisces about coming to terms with her dual heritage. 2001.

Women Sailors and Sailors' Women: An Untold Maritime History RC 52969
by David Cordingly
read by Corrie James
3 cassettes
A maritime scholar's account, structured in the form of a voyage, of women in British and American seafaring life during the seventeenth, eighteenth, and nineteenth centuries. He discusses women's roles in port, on shipboard, and in lighthouse keeping. Some descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Ape and the Sushi Master: Cultural Reflections by a Primatologist RC 52970
by Frans de Waal
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
A primate-behavior expert argues that human culture is not unique but merely more advanced than cultures found in other species. Drawing on his years of research, de Waal proposes that apes exercise learned, as opposed to instinctual, patterns of behavior. Also explores human attitudes toward animals. 2001.

Heavier than Heaven: A Biography of Kurt Cobain RC 53015
by Charles R. Cross
read by Robert O'Keefe
3 cassettes
Music journalist draws on interviews and diaries to trace the life and untimely death of the Seattle musician. Investigates Cobain's unhappy teen years, success with his band Nirvana, heroin addiction, marriage to fellow rocker Courtney Love, and 1994 suicide at age twenty-seven. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. Best-seller 2001.

The Dance of Connection: How to Talk to Someone When You're Mad, Hurt, Scared, Frustrated, Insulted, Betrayed, or Desperate RC 53023
by Harriet Lerner
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
Psychologist and author of *The Dance of Anger (RC 27934)* and other popular titles explains how to communicate with loved ones. Uses anecdotes from her own and her patients' lives to illustrate how to change one's behavior. 2001.

Swimming past 50 RC 53029
by Mel Goldstein and Dave Tanner
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Tips and techniques for the older swimmer. Includes training programs and the basics of the sport as well as information about the aging process. Offers sample workouts and advice on the prevention of injuries. 1999.

A Passion to Win RC 53031
by Sumner Redstone
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Media magnate Redstone describes his career—begun in his father's drive-in movie business—including his acquisitions of Blockbuster, CBS, Paramount, Simon and Schuster, and Viacom. He intersperses his account with discussions of his childhood, years at Harvard, and military service as a cryptanalyst. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Germs: Biological Weapons and America's Secret War RC 53041
by Judith Miller and others
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Three journalists from the *New York Times* discuss germ warfare and the real and rising threat it poses to the United States. They examine scientific advances in bio-weapons and the expertise now available in Iran, Iraq, and North Korea. They use biographical and historical examples to clarify the issue. Bestseller 2001.

Jack: Straight from the Gut RC 53044
by Jack Welch
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
Autobiography by the CEO of General Electric for almost twenty years describes his life and his moves up the company ladder. Explains his management system, which led to his company's phenomenal stock growth. Bestseller 2001.

Fire RC 53047
by Sebastian Junger
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes
Magazine articles that the author of *The Perfect Storm (RC 44751)* wrote between 1992 and 2001 about "people confronting situations that could easily destroy them." Includes a deadly Colorado forest fire in 1994, Kosovo in 1998, and Afghanistan in 2001. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Call Me Crazy RC 53048
by Anne Heche
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
Memoir of thirty-one-year-old celebrity actress. Covers her abused childhood, therapy sessions, career, and success. Describes her lesbian affair with comedienne Ellen DeGeneres and her bout of insanity. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Strong Women Eat Well: Nutritional Strategies for a Healthy Body and Mind RC 53052
by Miriam E. Nelson
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
Discusses nutrition and its scientific basis—including the national guidelines presented in the Food Guide Pyramid. Promotes consumption of water, whole grains, and fresh fruits and vegetables. Explains how to read labels on packaged foods. Contains fifty healthy and easy-to-

prepare recipes. Companion to *Strong Women, Strong Bones (RC 51016)*. 2001.

Maimonides Reader RC 53060
by Moses Maimonides
read by Robert Blumenfeld
4 cassettes
Major texts by the medieval Jewish philosopher, physician, and rabbi Maimonides (1135–1204), born Moses ben Maimon in Islamic Spain. Includes selections from the *Mishneh Torah*, the *Guide of the Perplexed*, the *Book of Commandments*, letters, and other writings. Introduction and commentary by Isadore Twersky. 1972.

Natasha: The Biography of Natalie Wood RC 53065
by Suzanne Finstad
read by Margaret Strom
4 cassettes
Depicts the personal and professional life of film star Natalie Wood, the daughter of an unstable Russian stage mother. Describes the psychological pressures that shaped the child actress, her two marriages to Robert Wagner, and her successful career on screen until her untimely death in 1981. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Crossing Over: The Stories behind the Stories RC 53070
by John Edward
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
Reminiscences of psychic medium and television show host. Discusses how to communicate with those who have died and passed on to an afterlife, or "crossed over." Edward recounts incidents in which he claims to have encountered spirits that help the living. By the author of *One Last Time (RC 52165)*. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Richard Wright: The Life and Times RC 53071
by Hazel Rowley
read by Bob Moore
5 cassettes
Interweaving journals, letters, and personal recollections, biographer Rowley illuminates the important African American novelist's life, work, and ideas. Portrays Wright as a self-taught intellectual, an independent thinker, and an outspoken critic of racism. Examines his relationships with other writers, such as Ralph Ellison and Langston Hughes. Bestseller 2001.

Midnight Diaries RC 53077
by Boris Yeltsin
read by Mark Ashby
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Struggle for Russia (RC 39258)*, the former Russian president describes his last four years in office, which ended with his 1999 resignation. Recalls the economic crisis, political infighting, Chechen wars, and his relationships with other world leaders. Also discusses his personal life and Vladimir Putin's rise to power. 2000.

A River Running West: The Life of John Wesley Powell RC 53101
by Donald Worster
read by Ted Stoddard
6 cassettes
Biography of the nineteenth-century American explorer of the Colorado River and the Grand Canyon. Re-creates the adventures of Powell's expeditions and evaluates his contributions as a land and water conservationist and an interpreter of the West. Sets Powell's life in the political and historical context of American westward expansion. 2001.

A Pitcher's Story: Innings with David Cone RC 53103
by Roger Angell
read by Erik Synnestvedt
2 cassettes
Baseball chronicler Roger Angell examines the life and career of David Cone, a pitcher who has played with four different major league ball clubs. Discusses pitching technique, mental preparation, and Cone's adjustment to fame and fortune as well as his disappointing 2000 season with the Yankees. 2001.

Time Lord: Sir Sandford Fleming and the Creation of Standard Time RC 53104
by Clark Blaise
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
Discusses concepts of time and the Scottish-born Canadian who conceived the standardization of world time into twenty-four zones. Concludes with the Prime Meridian Conference in Washington, D.C., in 1884. Explains Fleming's reasoning and the importance of worldwide acceptance of his proposals. 2000.

The Santa Fe Trail: Its History, Legends, and Lore RC 53106
by David Dary
read by Erik Synnestvedt
3 cassettes
Traces the development and decline of the nine-hundred-mile trade route that linked Franklin, Missouri, with Santa Fe, New Mexico. Examines its cultural and political heritage from the arrival of the Spanish settlers in the New World through its replacement by the railroad. Relates personal experiences of travelers. 2000.

You're Fifty—Now What? Investing for the Second Half of Your Life RC 53108
by Charles R. Schwab
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
An international brokerage firm's founder and chairman offers older investors and retirees information on basic personal finance, including retirement budgets, pension programs, insurance, mutual funds, estate planning, and charitable giving. Advises investors to modify their strategy and goals as they mature. 2001.

On Killing: The Psychological Cost of Learning to Kill in War and Society RC 53109
by Dave Grossman
read by Rick Rohan
3 cassettes
A psychologist and former army officer examines the specific nature of the act of killing and its social and psychological implications and repercussions. Compares modern military combat training to conditioning children through media and video-game violence. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1996.

Mauve: How One Man Invented a Color That Changed the World RC 53110
by Simon Garfield
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
Biography of William Henry Perkin (1838–1907), the British chemist who discovered the artificial dye mauve. Explains how Perkin at age eighteen produced the first aniline dye derived from coal. Discusses his subsequent fame and his importance as an inspiration for chemical advances in medicine, per-

fumery, food, explosives, and photography. 2001.

Bing Crosby: A Pocketful of Dreams; the Early Years, 1903–1940 RC 53111
by Gary Giddins
read by Robert Sams
6 cassettes
Author of *Visions of Jazz (RC 48253)* chronicles the life and times of Harry Lillis "Bing" Crosby—a Jesuit-educated Irish American whose career coincided with the growth of the sound recording technology that fostered his extraordinary popularity. Examines Crosby's family history and work up to World War II. Includes discography and filmography. Some strong language. 2001.

The Crusades through Arab Eyes RC 53135
by Amin Maalouf
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
The Arab viewpoint of two centuries—1100 to 1300—of fighting the Frankish wars (Crusades). Considers these wars as a turning point in Muslim history that still affects relations between the West and the Arab world. Based on the testimony of Arab historians and contemporary chroniclers of the era. 1984.

Shamans through Time: 500 Years on the Path to Knowledge RC 53138
edited by Jeremy Narby and Francis Huxley
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
More than sixty selections by anthropologists, psychologists, missionaries, and travelers explore the world of shamans—the spiritual practitioners and healers who have been found in tribal cultures around the world. Contributions range from accounts by sixteenth-century European explorers in the New World to ethnographic analyses by twentieth-century thinkers such as Claude Lévi-Strauss. 2001.

Shooting the Moon: The True Story of an American Manhunt Unlike Any Other, Ever RC 53139
by David Harris
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
An account of the investigation and arrest of Panamanian dictator General Manuel Noriega on drug trafficking charges in 1989. Explains the roles of the Iran-Contra scandal, the Medellín cocaine cartel, and the Nicaraguan Sandinista government leading to the invasion of Panama by American forces. Strong language. 2001.

Staying Tuned: A Life in Journalism RC 53140
by Daniel Schorr
read by Frank Coffee
3 cassettes
Octogenarian news analyst for National Public Radio recounts his sixty-plus years in journalism. Recalls his New York boyhood as the child of Jewish immigrants, his quarter century with CBS beginning in 1953, and his joining Ted Turner to develop CNN. Reflects on changing technology and standards in the news industry. Some strong language. 2001.

Networth: Successful Investing in the Companies That Will Prevail through Internet Booms and Busts (They're Not Always the Ones You Expect) RC 53141
by Stephen E. Frank
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Internet correspondent for the *Wall Street Journal* and CNBC explains invest-

ing in the dot-com economy. Discusses how the Internet works, evaluates different business models, and advises weaving "Internet-related investments through investment portfolios," always with a long-term approach. 2001.

The Inextinguishable Symphony: A True Story of Music and Love in Nazi Germany RC 53146
by Martin Goldsmith
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
National Public Radio commentator describes the lives of his parents, Günther Goldschmidt and Rosemarie Gumpert. Until their emigration in 1941, the two survived as concert musicians in Nazi Germany by performing in the Culture Association of German Jews—"the Kubu"—a showcase Hitler established for the outside world. 2000.

Familiar Spirits: A Memoir of James Merrill and David Jackson RC 53148
by Alison Lurie
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
Novelist Alison Lurie reminisces about meeting American poet James Merrill (1926–1995) in his youth and becoming friends with him and his companion, David Jackson. Discusses their homosexuality, the importance of the Ouija board in their relationship, and their problems as they aged. 2001.

A Man Called Intrepid: The Secret War RC 53149
by William Stevenson
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Stevenson, a war correspondent, chronicles the British Security Coordination, an international intelligence operation, and its chief, Bill Stephenson, code-named "Intrepid." The author describes how Intrepid guarded communications between Winston Churchill and Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1940 and directed a network of spies in Nazi-occupied territories. Some violence. Bestseller 1976.

This House Has Fallen: Midnight in Nigeria RC 53150
by Karl Maier
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
Explores political, social, and economic conditions in the troubled West African nation of Nigeria. Profiles its enormous potential and prospects, and explains how corruption, fractious ethnic and religious groups, and poverty threaten to divide the tenth most populous and sixth largest oil-producing country in the world. 2000.

An Unexpected Light: Travels in Afghanistan RC 53152
by Jason Elliot
read by Ken Kliban
4 cassettes
An exploration of Afghanistan—its physical beauty, hospitality, religious variations, and long history. Elliot recounts events from his first visit at nineteen in 1986 traveling with anti-Soviet mujahedin and another journey ten years later when the Taliban forces were building power. 1999.

The Essential Haiku: Versions of Basho, Buson, and Issa RC 53154
edited by Robert Hass
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
Introduction to three masters of the Japanese haiku tradition. Biographical sketches of each poet are followed by representative selections of his work. 1994.

Saving Milly: Love, Politics, and Parkinson's Disease RC 53158
by Morton Kondracke
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Journalist recounts his vibrant wife's decline following the onset of the incurable, degenerative disease called Parkinson's. Describes their marriage in 1967, their volatile partnership, the first hand tremors in 1987 leading to the diagnosis, and the years of irreversible deterioration. Explains his transformation into a caregiver and activist for disease research. 2001.

The Great Investment: Faith, Family, and Finance RC 53159
by T.D. Jakes
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Jakes, pastor of a Dallas, Texas, Protestant assembly and best-selling author, proposes specific business and Christian principles that will help people maintain a balanced and successful life. He emphasizes the importance of basic financial planning, beginning with budgeting, in achieving one's ultimate personal fulfillment. 2000.

Humanity: A Moral History of the Twentieth Century RC 53163
by Jonathan Glover
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes
An ethicist surveys twentieth-century atrocities committed against society—among them the massacres of World War I, the Holocaust, and Rwanda's ethnic cleansing. Explains how the perpetrators employ ideological and racial justifications for their crimes and, to deter future cruelties, proposes greater emphasis on respect and sympathy. 1999.

The Mummy Congress: Science, Obsession, and the Everlasting Dead RC 53164
by Heather Pringle
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
After attending a World Congress on Mummy Studies in Arica, Chile, journalist Pringle visits mummy experts worldwide. She discusses what ancient corpses—from Egypt, Denmark, Italy, China, Japan, and elsewhere—reveal to the living scientists who probe, dissect, and collect them. 2001.

The Myth of Maturity: What Teenagers Need from Parents to Become Adults RC 53165
by Terri Apter
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Uses case studies to describe the age group called "thresholders"—young people ages eighteen to twenty-four—and the problems they encounter while growing up. Warns parents that their children still need emotional support and offers suggestions for both generations in dealing with stress, money, relationships, college, and jobs. Some strong language. 2001.

The Hidden Face of God: How Science Reveals the Ultimate Truth RC 53166
by Gerald L. Schroeder
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Using research in biology, chemistry, physics, and neuroscience, a physicist argues that the origins of life and the universe point to a universal wisdom. Interpreting the organization of organic life and the complexities encoded in

DNA, Schroeder reasons that life's direction and purpose provide positive reasons for faith. 2001.

One Drop of Blood: The American Misadventure of Race RC 53168
by Scott L. Malcomson
read by Jake Williams
5 cassettes
Explores the notions of race—black, white, and Indian—in America and its historical development from attempted assimilation to separatism to inclusion. Malcomson explains the intricate relationships between the three ethnicities, concluding with his own experiences in his hometown of Oakland, California. 2000.

It's True! It's True! RC 53200
by Kurt Angle
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Autobiography by the 1996 Olympic gold medal-winning wrestler. He describes growing up in Pittsburgh in a blue-collar family and becoming a World Champion in 1995. He discusses joining Vince McMahon's World Wrestling Federation, becoming a televised antihero. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

No Apparent Danger: The True Story of Volcanic Disaster at Galeras and Nevado del Ruiz RC 53203
by Victoria Bruce
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
Geologist and science writer Bruce depicts two devastating volcano eruptions in Colombia: Nevado del Ruiz in 1985, which destroyed a city of 23,000, and Galeras in 1993. Linking these two events, Bruce examines the science of predicting volcanic activity and expedition leader Stanley Williams's role in the Galeras tragedy. Some strong language. 2001.

The Children's Civil War RC 53209
by James Marten
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Chronicles the hardships of the Civil War on a generation of young Americans—Yankees, Confederates, and slaves. Uses anecdotes, oral histories, diaries, and memoirs to describe how the fighting affected—either directly or through fear for loved ones—the third of the populace who were children during the 1860s. Some strong language. 1998.

The Tandem Book RC 53213
by Angel Rodriguez and Carla Black
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
A guide to buying, riding, and maintaining a bicycle built for two. Includes information on the history of the bike and on touring, traveling, racing, and pedaling with children. 1997.

Life Skills 101: A Practical Guide to Leaving Home and Living on Your Own RC 53215
by Tina Pestalozzi
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Advice for the transition to living single. Covers entering the work world, handling business and financial matters, setting up living space, organizing the basics, choosing between eating at home or dining out, being a "savvy consumer," and staying connected to people and the community. For senior high and older readers. 2001.

Carolina Ghost Woods: Poems
RC 53229
by Judy Jordan
read by Ann Hodapp
1 cassette
Beauty of language transcends themes of death, grief, and privation set in southern landscape. This debut collection of poetry also won the 1999 Walt Whitman Award. National Book Critics Circle Award. 2000.

How I Play Golf RC 53289
by Tiger Woods
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
The twenty-five-year-old champion explains his mental and physical approaches to winning. Woods analyzes every aspect of the game from putting to choosing the right club. Explains the fundamentals of his movements and techniques and how to work a course. Includes useful tips from other players. Bestseller 2001.

The No Spin Zone: Confrontations with the Powerful and Famous in America
RC 53298
by Bill O'Reilly
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Television commentator continues his criticism of American society begun in *The O'Reilly Factor (RC 51053)*. Includes his views on George W. Bush, Hillary Clinton, Jesse Jackson, pedophiles, sex, violence, capital punishment, taxes, drugs, and more. Afterword by author James Ellroy. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Twin Towers: The Life of New York City's World Trade Center RC 53309
by Angus Kress Gillespie
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
A history of the World Trade Center, written before the destruction of the twin towers on September 11, 2001. Recounts how the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey first conceived of the complex and how the plans were executed. Includes an account of a day in the center's life. Bestseller 1999.

An Open Heart: Practicing Compassion in Everyday Life RC 53311
by Dalai Lama
read by Ted Stoddard
1 cassette
Companion to *The Art of Happiness (RC 47827)* provides the Dalai Lama's teachings to introduce the core of Buddhism. Weaves together his spiritual guidelines for everyday living with two ancient Buddhist texts. Contains text of the Dalai Lama's 1999 New York address. Bestseller 2001.

Gielgud: A Theatrical Life RC 53319
by Jonathan Croall
read by Anne Flosnik
5 cassettes
Biography of the esteemed British actor, director, and writer John Gielgud (1904–2000). Describes his life and times, including his family's theatrical background, his knighthood and the subsequent homosexual scandal in 1953, his ventures on Broadway and in Hollywood, and his numerous radio and television appearances. Some strong language. 2000.

A Negro Explorer at the North Pole: The Autobiography of Matthew Henson
RC 53320
by Matthew Henson
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Henson (1866–1955) describes his trip to the North Pole in 1909 with friend and mentor Robert Peary. Henson knew the Inuit language and became critical to the expedition's success. Originally published in 1912, with a foreword by Peary and an introduction by Booker T. Washington. New introduction by S. Allen Counter. 2001.

The Best Spiritual Writing, 2001
RC 53321
edited by Philip Zaleski
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Anthology of poems and prose pieces about faith, love, prayer, and divinity representing Christian, Jewish, Native American, and Buddhist traditions. Contains Valerie Martin's biographical essay "Being Saint Francis" and Floyd Skloot's poem "The Yoga Exercise" about a graceful woman in the yogic "heron" posture. 2001.

Twentynine Palms: A True Story of Murder, Marines, and the Mojave
RC 53327
by Deanne Stillman
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Account of a violent crime, its origins, and its aftermath. In 1991 Marine lance corporal Valentine Underwood raped and murdered two young women in California's Mojave desert. Stillman examines the abusive culture the victims inhabited and the Marine code of silence. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Hole in the Universe: How Scientists Peered over the Edge of Emptiness and Found Everything RC 53328
by K.C. Cole
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Science columnist for the *Los Angeles Times* elucidates the mysterious concept of nothingness. Discusses the Big Bang, black holes, string theory, vacuums, and zero while tracing their scientific history and the theories of experts in the field —from Isaac Newton to Albert Einstein and Stephen Hawking. 2001.

The Cases That Haunt Us: From Jack the Ripper to JonBenet Ramsey, the FBI's Legendary Mindhunter Sheds Light on the Mysteries That Won't Go Away
RC 53329
by John Douglas and Mark Olshaker
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
The authors of *Mindhunter (RC 43669)* analyze notorious crimes of the past in an effort to pinpoint the perpetrator of each deadly deed. Cases include the Lindbergh kidnapping, Lizzie Borden, the Boston Strangler, the Black Dahlia, and Lawrencia ("Bambi") Bembenek. 2000.

The Best American Poetry, 2001
RC 53333
edited by Robert Hass
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Broad cross section of traditional and innovative poetry published in 2000 in periodicals. Includes posthumous poems by Elizabeth Bishop and James Schuyler, and new pieces by John Ashbery, Anne Carson, Billy Collins, Louise Glück,

Donald Hall, Yusef Komunyakaa, Robert Pinsky, Adrienne Rich, and many others. Some strong language. 2001.

Five Days in London: May 1940
RC 53336
by John Lukacs
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
A historian's detailed discussion of the critical days in May 1940 when British prime minister Winston Churchill persuaded his war cabinet to continue the war against Hitler, even as the disheartening evacuation from Dunkirk was in progress. Avers that this was the turning point in the Allied effort. 1999.

Son of a Grifter: The Twisted Tale of Sante and Kenny Kimes, the Most Notorious Con Artists in America; a Memoir by the Other Son RC 53341
by Kent Walker
read by Christopher Walker
4 cassettes
The elder son of Sante Kimes, a con artist and murderess, recalls growing up in a criminal household with a sociopath mother. Sante and the author's half-brother, Kenny, were arrested for the murder of wealthy Irene Silverman. Strong language. 2001.

The Best American Science Writing, 2001 RC 53343
edited by Timothy Ferris
read by Michael Scherer
3 cassettes
Twenty-three articles explore science's ever-expanding role in human life. Richard Preston describes the race to decode the human genome, Joel Achenbach speculates about extraterrestrial life, John Terborgh reflects on wild animals showing emotional attachments to people, and Helen Epstein discusses AIDS in South Africa. 2001.

Healing Your Grieving Heart for Teens: One Hundred Practical Ideas
RC 53344
by Alan D. Wolfelt
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
Offers suggestions for teenagers who are coping with grief while mourning the passing of a loved one. Advice includes finding an adult to confide in, keeping a journal, and accepting grieving as a natural process. For junior and senior high readers. 2001.

The Plumber: The True Story of How One Good Man Helped Destroy the Entire Philadelphia Mafia RC 53353
by Joseph Salerno and Stephen J. Rivele
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
The author explains how he, a plumber by trade, became caught in the nightmare world of the Philadelphia Mafia. He describes the violent underworld and tells how witnessing a brutal murder changed his life. He details the hardships he endured in the Federal Witness Protection Program. Strong language and some violence. 1990.

Perfectly Still: A Journey through the Heart of Loss to Love RC 53356
by Patricia B. Moran
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Moran, a teacher at Oregon State University, discusses the spiritual insight she has gained into human emotions while helping two people very close to her, who are dying. One is a former student with leukemia. The other is her mother, who has a brain tumor. 2000.

The Virgin of Bennington RC 53358
by Kathleen Norris
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
American poet and memoirist describes her coming-of-age years in the 1960s at a women's college in Vermont and at her first job with the Academy of American Poets in New York City in the 1970s. Norris's memoir recalls lifestyle choices, friendships, and people who influenced her career. 2001.

When the Cheering Stopped: The Last Years of Woodrow Wilson RC 53360
by Gene Smith
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Details the last months of U.S. president Woodrow Wilson's second term in office (1919–1921), when he was physically incapacitated and isolated by his physician and second wife, Edith. His forced retreat from political life undermined America's full support of the League of Nations. Continues with the Wilsons' retirement in Washington. 1964.

The Case against Hillary Clinton RC 53362
by Peggy Noonan
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Polemic on the character of the former first lady by Reagan speechwriter and author of *What I Saw at the Revolution (RC 30709)* and other works. Alleging that Senator Clinton feels entitled to power, Noonan summarizes her involvement in a number of scandals. Some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Pearl's Secret: A Black Man's Search for His White Family RC 53363
by Neil Henry
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Memoir by an African American professor who researched his family's mixed-race genealogy. Tracing familiar oral history, he eventually locates and contacts his Caucasian great-great-grandfather's family. Henry describes the Beaumont branch, his reunion with distant relatives, and his experiences with racism. Some strong language. 2001.

When Character Was King: A Story of Ronald Reagan RC 53364
by Peggy Noonan
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Former special assistant to President Ronald Reagan asserts that his greatness lay in his character. Includes anecdotes from those who knew the president well; analyzes his career as a film star, a union representative, and a politician; and discusses the factors that influenced him. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Brown v. Board of Education: A Civil Rights Milestone and Its Troubled Legacy RC 53365
by James T. Patterson
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Examines the 1954 U.S. Supreme Court ruling that overturned state-sponsored racial segregation in America's public schools. Explores the decision's context, the subsequent progress of social equality, and events that have surrounded efforts to implement the court's guidelines. 2001.

The Worst-Case Scenario Survival Handbook: Dating and Sex RC 53624
by Joshua Piven and others
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
Suggestions for coping with romantic and not-so-romantic situations. Tips on finding a suitable mate—from initial attraction through the perils of dating, undressing, sleeping with, or leaving someone special. Advice on survival behavior in bars, restaurants, bedrooms, and airplane lavatories. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

Cassettes Fiction

Dreamer RC 49957
by Charles Johnson
read by Chuck Young
2 cassettes
During the tense summer of 1966 in Chicago, Martin Luther King Jr. and his followers are trying to quell outbreaks of violence. Matthew Bishop introduces King to Chaym Smith, who could easily pass as King's double. Their struggle against racial prejudice and social upheaval is presented from Bishop's point of view. 1998.

Blues Dancing RC 50254
by Diane McKinney-Whetstone
read by Tracy Mickens-Hundley
2 cassettes
1990s Philadelphia. Twenty years ago, Verdi, daughter of a prosperous southern minister, was turned on to drugs by Johnson, a black student leader at college. She was rescued by Professor Rowe, who left his wife for Verdi. But now Johnson is back in town. Strong language and some violence. 1999.

The Claudine Novels RC 50562
by Colette
read by Anne Hancock
5 cassettes
The first four works by the twentieth-century French author: *Claudine at School*, *Claudine in Paris*, *Claudine Married*, and *Claudine and Annie*. They portray a country girl born in France in 1884 and how she grows up to become a sensuous woman. Some descriptions of sex. 1962.

Unnatural Causes RC 50572
by Leah Ruth Robinson
read by Joni Siani
2 cassettes
Dr. Evelyn Sutcliffe's friend and hospital coworker is preparing dinner for her when he falls ill from poisonous mushrooms found in the anonymous gift basket Evelyn received. Horrified when her friend dies, Evelyn wonders if she was the intended victim and if the killer was her lover's stalker. Strong language and some violence. 1999.

For the Relief of Unbearable Urges RC 50583
by Nathan Englander
read by Dan Bloom
2 cassettes
Nine tales that depict protagonists caught up in difficult circumstances in which the strictures of their Orthodox Judaism clash with life in the modern world. In the title story, when a wife spurns her husband's amorous advances, he finds extramarital relief that leads to a painful problem. 1999.

The Sweet Forever RC 50641
by George P. Pelecanos
read by Chuck Young
2 cassettes
In the mid-1980s, a car crash in front of

a Washington, D.C., record store puts the owner and his manager in the middle of a cocaine-related power struggle involving crooked cops, teen gangs, and a missing bag of drug money. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Sermons and Soda-Water RC 50753
by John O'Hara
read by Conrad Feininger
2 cassettes
Three novellas in which reporter Jim Malloy describes American social mores around the 1930s. In *The Girl on the Baggage Truck* he narrowly avoids becoming the plaything of an aging actress. *Imagine Kissing Pete* deals with an adulterous marriage, and in *We're Friends Again* Malloy reflects on money and sex. 1960.

The Morning After RC 51112
by Suzanne Forster
read by MaryBeth Wise
2 cassettes
Shortly after Temple Banning moves to California, she awakens alone in a honeymoon suite with a marriage license listing a husband she's never met. Fearing amnesia from a previous bout with a deadly virus, Temple reluctantly turns to mysterious Mark Challis for help. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 2000.

A Shelter of Hope: Westward Chronicles, Volume 1 RC 51115
by Tracie Peterson
read by Gillian Green
2 cassettes
Wyoming Territory, 1890. Raised by an abusive father since the age of ten, seventeen-year-old Simone Dumas finds herself in an even worse situation; she believes she has killed a man. Simone escapes to Chicago, where she meets Jeffery O'Donnell, who offers her hope and love. 1998.

The Ladies of Covington Send Their Love RC 51224
by Joan Medlicott
read by Terry Hayes Sales
3 cassettes
Three widowed roommates leave their Pennsylvania boardinghouse for the North Carolina mountains to look at a dilapidated farmhouse one of them has inherited. Against the wishes of their children and landlady, the women move in and soon find their lives dramatically changed—for the better. 2000.

Buscadero RC 51257
by Bill Brooks
read by Gary Roan
2 cassettes
When Texas law catches up with Johnny Montana and his paramour Katie Swensen, he is ordered returned to Arkansas for trial. Texas Ranger Pete Winter is assigned to escort them. But there are others also looking for Montana, and Texas Ranger Henry Dollar must find them first. Violence. 1993.

Hot Springs RC 51332
by Stephen Hunter
read by Jeremy Gage
4 cassettes
Prequel to *A Time to Hunt (RC 47031)* and other stories featuring sharpshooter Bob Lee Swagger. When Bob Lee's hardened marine sergeant father returns from World War II, he is offered a job helping to clean up Hot Springs, Arkansas—a Mafia town full of casinos, whorehouses, and corruption. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Death from the Woods RC 51535
by Brigitte Aubert
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
Elise is left a blind and mute quadriplegic after a terrorist attack, but she can still think and hear. When she becomes the confidant of a little girl who knows the identity of a serial child killer, Elise becomes a target herself. Winner of the French Grand Prix de Litérature. Strong language and some violence. 1996.

The Rainy Season RC 51548
by James P. Blaylock
read by Conrad Feininger
2 cassettes
When Phil Ainsworth accepts the guardianship of his ten-year-old niece, Betsy, he has no idea of what the future holds. He has been getting eerie sensations in the house he inherited, but when Betsy arrives, she has the ability to sense the past and hear the voices of the dead. 1999.

The Same Embrace RC 51549
by Michael Lowenthal
read by Bruce Nelson
2 cassettes
Twenty-four-year-old twins choose different paths toward self-realization: Jacob loudly proclaims his gay activism in Boston, while Jonathan searches for meaning as an Orthodox Jew in a Jerusalem yeshiva. Their estrangement ends when they face their grandmother's medical crisis. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1998.

The Shaman's Bones: A Shaman Mystery RC 51725
by James D. Doss
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Shaman Daisy Perika asks her Ute lawman nephew, Charlie Moon, to call Scott Parris, the Granite Creek chief of police. She informs them of her dream foretelling the imminent, violent deaths of people starting to the north. Parris, knowing her powers, takes her warning seriously and cancels his vacation. 1997.

The Green RC 51736
by Troon McAllister
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Alan Bellamy, the U.S. Ryder Cup team captain who is desperate to find a twelfth player, settles on south Floridian hustler and amazing golfer Eddie Caminetti. The selection leads to unforeseen and humorous consequences. Strong language. 1999.

Backwater RC 51739
by Joan Bauer
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Sixteen-year-old Ivy Breedlove feels out of place in her family of opinionated attorneys. While helping an elderly relative compile a family history, Ivy sees similarities between herself and a reclusive aunt who lives in the Adirondacks. Ivy sets out to find her mysterious aunt. For junior and senior high readers. 1999.

Blue Angel RC 51756
by Francine Prose
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
A happily married, middle-aged professor of creative writing at an expensive

but obscure New England college falls for a talented, exotic-looking student. With sexual harassment a big topic on campus, what is the professor doing undressed in the girl's dormitory room? Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

The Edge RC 51863
by Ben Bo
read by Don Nelson
1 cassette
Outsider Declan Murray finds trouble with the wrong crowd and is sent by the courts to work in Glacier National Park. Once there, he immerses himself in snowboarding, but takes one too many chances on the slopes. For junior and senior high readers. 1998.

Stonebreaker's Ridge: A Western Story RC 51869
by Ray Hogan
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Ex-bounty hunter, Jim Ryan, returns home to ranch his family's spread. But he is soon accused of killing a neighbor, his sweetheart's father. Jim finds himself on the wrong side of the law while trying to uncover the truth. Some violence. 2000.

Be the One RC 51986
by April Smith
read by Barbara Pinolini
2 cassettes
Los Angeles Dodgers baseball scout Cassidy Sanderson becomes concerned when her latest rookie is blackmailed over an incident in his native Dominican Republic. Meanwhile, Cassidy's new lover, developer Joe Galinis, appears to be involved in turning Cassidy into another convenient target. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

Sister of My Heart RC 52038
by Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Soulmates Sudha and Anju are cousins raised in the same Calcutta household by their widowed mothers. Beautiful Sudha is burdened by family secrets, while ambitious Anju wants an education. But both are forced by economics into arranged marriages. Eventually they reunite in America. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1999.

The Sacred Shore: Song of Acadia, Book 2 RC 52083
by Janette Oke and T. Davis Bunn
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
In *The Meeting Place (RC 49353)*, eighteenth-century friends Catherine and Louise switched babies so Louise's French daughter could receive medical care—an action with far-reaching consequences when the French were suddenly expelled from Acadia. Nicole, now eighteen, learns of her true identity and hears that an English nobleman is searching for her. 2000.

Resort to Murder: A Henrie O Mystery RC 52104
by Carolyn Hart
read by Cyn Delafield
2 cassettes
Retired journalist Henrie O travels to Bermuda to support her grandchildren Diana and Neal when their father remarries a wealthy widow—beautiful, flirtatious Connor Bailey. Henrie investigates when the hotel is plagued with ghosts and murders and the wedding

guests become endangered. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

The Map of Love RC 52254
by Ahdaf Soueif
read by Jill Fox
4 cassettes
Dashing Pasha Sharif courts British widow Anna nearly a century before American journalist Isabel falls in love with courtly conductor Omar. A trunkful of family journals and letters link the pairs of lovers as they surmount cultural obstacles in Egypt. Booker Prize Finalist. 1999.

King Kelson's Bride RC 52255
by Katherine Kurtz
read by Gary Tipton
4 cassettes
The fragile peace between Torenth and Gwynedd is threatened, making it imperative that King Kelson of Gwynedd take a bride and produce an heir. Having already lost two brides, one in death and the other through treachery, Kelson's only wish now is to find a woman who also has Deryni blood. 2000.

The PMS Outlaws RC 52266
by Sharyn McCrumb
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
While forensic anthropologist Elizabeth MacPherson is hospitalized for depression over the disappearance and presumed death of her husband, her attorney brother, Bill, buys a mansion with an unwanted elderly resident. Bill's partner, meanwhile, is trying to find an escaped convict and her female lawyer who target lustful men to rob and humiliate. 2000.

The China Bride RC 52269
by Mary Jo Putney
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Macao, China; 1832. On his last adventure before returning home, Kyle Renbourne marries Scottish-Chinese orphan Troth Montgomery. Believing Kyle has been executed, Troth journeys to England to inform his twin, Dominic. But suddenly Kyle resurfaces. Sequel to *The Wild Child (RC 49450)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

Hit List RC 52270
by Lawrence Block
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Hit man Keller lives an orderly life. He gets his assignments from humorous Dot, works on his stamp collection between jobs, and conscientiously serves on a jury. His routine is disrupted when Keller realizes someone is trying to kill him. Sequel to *Hit Man (RC 49625)*. Some violence and some strong language. 2000.

Face of the Rising Sun: The First Americans, Volume 9 RC 52295
by William Sarabande
read by John Polk
4 cassettes
The Ice Age is ending, and Warakan, now a man, longs for peace and companionship. Yet he still harbors a desire for vengeance. As possessor of the sacred stone, he will soon fulfill his destiny. Sequel to *Shadow of the Watching Star (RC 52294)*. Violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1996.

Time beyond Beginning: The First Americans, Volume 10 RC 52296
by William Sarabande
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
Ne'gauni, deserted as a child and left to die, was raised by the last two members of the Forest People. Now a hardened warrior, he begins a dangerous journey to fulfill a prophecy. Sequel to *Face of the Rising Sun (RC 52295)*. Violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1998.

Demonology: Stories RC 52304
by Rick Moody
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
Thirteen tales of people possessed in some way, several written in experimental form. The title story, the last in the collection, is a heartfelt elegy for a sister who died unexpectedly while putting her two young children to bed. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2000.

Blackwater Spirits RC 52318
by Miriam Grace Monfredo
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
Seneca Falls, 1857. New in town, female doctor Neva Cardoza is up to her elbows in corpses. Meanwhile librarian Glynis Tryon investigates these mysterious deaths. When half-Iroquois Jacques Sundown is accused of murder, Glynis joins constable Cullen Stuart in the struggle to discern the truth. 1995.

The Year of the Intern RC 52472
by Robin Cook
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
Follows a year in the life of an idealistic hospital intern. During that time, Dr. Peters becomes a psychologically aberrant but fully accredited doctor. The new physicians criticize both the treatment they receive and the American Medical Association, and advocate changing the system. Some strong language. 1972.

The Collected Stories of Arthur C. Clarke RC 52509
by Arthur C. Clarke
read by John Polk
9 cassettes in 2 containers
Contains all of the renowned science fiction author's short pieces written during a nearly seventy-year span. The more-than-one-hundred entries include "The Sentinel," "The Hammer of God," and "Guardian Angel." 2000.

Norwegian Wood RC 52525
by Haruki Murakami
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Toru Watanabe is overcome by sadness when he hears the Beatles' song "Norwegian Wood." It evokes the events of that long-ago autumn of 1969 when he made love to Naoko, the girlfriend of his best friend, Kizuki, who had committed suicide two years before. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

Julie and Romeo RC 52577
by Jeanne Ray
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Sixty-year-old divorcée Julie Roseman runs into fellow florist Romeo Cacciamani at a seminar. Though their families perpetuate a mysterious, longstanding feud, Julie finds the widowed Romeo nonetheless appealing. As their romance develops, the couple hide from their horrified children and Romeo's

bitter mother. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

Murder, She Meowed RC 52586
by Rita Mae Brown and
Sneaky Pie Brown
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Postmistress Harry of Crozet, Virginia, investigates the murder of two jockeys after the steeplechase races at Montpelier, James Madison's former estate. But it is her pets—feline Mrs. Murphy and corgi Tee Tucker—who uncover the clues. Some violence and some strong language. 1996.

Through a Gold Eagle: A Glynis Tryon Mystery RC 52587
by Miriam Grace Monfredo
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
Seneca Falls, New York; 1859. Librarian Glynis Tryon witnesses a murder aboard the train carrying her and her niece home. But the victim has left a packet of evidence with Glynis that leads to a counterfeiting scheme involving abolitionist John Brown. And more murders occur before the culprits are caught. 1996.

The Bastard: The Kent Family Chronicles, Vol. 1 RC 52646
by John Jakes
read by Bob Askey
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Saga about Phillipe Charboneau, the half-French illegitimate son of an English nobleman. Denied his inheritance, he changes his name to "Philip Kent" and flees to Boston in 1772 to begin a new life. Followed by *The Rebels (RC 52647)*. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1974.

The Lecturer's Tale RC 52656
by James Hynes
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Vitriolic satire of academic life. Minnesota English professor Nelson Humboldt was once a rising star but has now been relegated to teaching composition. When a freak accident results in the severance and reattachment of a finger, Nelson discovers he has acquired some magical powers. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

While Other People Sleep RC 52670
by Marcia Muller
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Someone is impersonating San Francisco private investigator Sharon McCone, destroying her reputation and her credit as well as harassing her family. McCone is determined to track down this culprit who breaks into her house and takes lovers in her name. Some strong language. 1998.

War Woman: A Novel of the Real People RC 52728
by Robert J. Conley
read by Gabriella Cavallero
3 cassettes
In 1580 when Whirlwind, a Cherokee maiden, is sixteen, she compels her twin brother and five others to join her on a dangerous trip to Florida to trade with the Spaniards. On this tragic journey she proves her leadership abilities and is renamed War Woman. Violence. 1997.

The River Where Blood Is Born RC 52737
by Sandra Jackson-Opoku
read by Robin Miles
4 cassettes
The voice of Ananse, African folklore's storyteller-trickster, traces the lives and fates of generations of black women, spanning almost three centuries and journeying from Africa through the Caribbean and America. A prophecy points to the ninth daughter in the lineage, whose sense of unfulfillment prompts her return to Africa. ALA Black Caucus Award. 1997.

Beyond the Reef: Richard Bolitho Novels, Volume 19 RC 52770
by Alexander Kent
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
1808. Napoleon is threatening the Caribbean, and Vice Admiral Sir Richard Bolitho devises battle plans. But before he can implement them, he and his lover, Lady Catherine Somervell, are shipwrecked and given up for dead. Sequel to *The Only Victor (RC 49933)*. 1992.

Sun Dance: Sam Keaton; Legends of Laramie, Book 3 RC 52776
by Sigmund Brouwer
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Wyoming Territory, 1875. Marshal Sam Keaton must figure out why there is a dead man in his office and why his expedition through Sioux lands is such a disaster. He struggles with alcoholism and strengthens his faith while solving these mysteries. Sequel to *Moon Basket (RC 40217)*. Some violence. 2000.

Plain Truth RC 52800
by Jodi Picoult
read by Erin Jones
3 cassettes
When Philadelphia attorney Ellie Hathaway retreats to her aunt's house in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, she's drawn into an unusual case—an Amish girl accused of murdering her newborn after a hidden pregnancy. Ellie calls former beau, psychiatrist John Cooper, to help the troubled defendant. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

In a Heartbeat RC 52806
by Elizabeth Adler
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
New York millionaire Ed Vincent is shot and seriously wounded. Drifting in and out of consciousness, Ed desperately wants to protect his lover, single mother Mel Merrydew. While investigating, NYPD detective Marco Camelia also falls for Mel. Meanwhile, Mel uncovers Ed's past. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2000.

Headwind RC 52810
by John J. Nance
read by Alec Volz
3 cassettes
When an international warrant threatens former American president John Harris, commercial jet pilot Craig Dayton defiantly takes off with Harris on board. While airborne, Harris arranges assistance from disbarred judge Jay Reinhart and a group of World War II veterans. 2001.

Mimi's Ghost RC 52823
by Tim Parks
read by Richard Hauenstein
2 cassettes
In this dark-humor continuation of *Juggling the Stars (RC 36393)*, Morris has eluded arrest after murdering Mimi, his first wife, and is now married to her sister, Paola. But with the voluptuous Mimi's ghost whispering incitements, Morris finds killing ever easier. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1995.

Raven Mocker RC 52835
by Don Coldsmith
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Medicine woman Snakewater keeps to herself in a Cherokee village in the early 1800s. Because of her advanced age, the people begin to fear she is a Raven Mocker—one who can suck the breath and years of life from a dying person. Snakewater must flee the village and make a new start. 2001.

Jupiter RC 52839
by Ben Bova
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes
Astrophysicist Grant Archer wants to do research work on the Moon. But the New Morality, Earth's conservative theocratic ruling coalition, has other plans for him. When they order him to spy on scientists who are suspected of a covert subversive research agenda on Jupiter, Archer's loyalties are put to the test. 2001.

Portrait of an Artist, as an Old Man RC 52846
by Joseph Heller
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
Pota, a novelist whose first book many years ago made him a legendary figure, seeks a subject for his final work. A possible title, *A Sexual Biography of My Wife*, elicits laughter from his wife and agent. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 2000.

Larque on the Wing RC 52847
by Nancy Springer
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Forty-year-old Larque Harootunian is a painter who has the ability to produce doppelgangers—ghostly apparitions of herself and others. Approaching a midlife crisis, she eventually "splits" into three different people—each representing conflicting facets of her own personality—as she "steps into" the magical world of Popular Street. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Harry Gold RC 52848
by Millicent Dillon
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Fictionalized biography of Harry Gold, a Jewish American chemist who became a Soviet spy. Recounts his early life in depression-era Philadelphia and tells how the loss of a job led him to accept another that set him on the path to becoming a spy who would have connections with Klaus Fuchs and the Rosenbergs. 2000.

The Edge of Town RC 52852
by Dorothy Garlock
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Missouri, 1922. Farm girl Julie Jones has taken care of her siblings since her mother's death. When Evan Johnson, a veteran and son of the town drunk, returns home, they fall in love. But each has secrets. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

The Stories of J.F. Powers RC 52855
by J.F. Powers
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Three collections of Powers's short stories from 1947, 1956, and 1975 are presented together. Many concern the daily preoccupations of priests in the Midwest, as in "A Losing Game," in which the new curate, Father Fabre, maneuvers with the senior pastor for a typing table. 1975.

Jane Austen's *Charlotte*: Her Fragment of a Last Novel, Completed RC 52858
by Julia Barrett
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
Young Miss Charlotte Heywood from the country visits the Parker family at the seaside town Sanditon. A mutual attraction develops between Charlotte and her host's brother, Sidney Parker, while the Parker brothers attempt to promote Sanditon as a popular resort. 2000.

The Angel on the Roof: The Stories of Russell Banks RC 52865
by Russell Banks
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
Thirty-one short stories dealing mainly with domestic life by the author of *Cloudsplitter (RC 45966)* and others. In "The Visit" a man returns to one of his childhood homes to remember his abusive, alcoholic father and the last year that he lived with the family. Some violence and some strong language. 2000.

The Songcatcher: A Ballad Novel RC 52905
by Sharyn McCrumb
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
Folksinger Lark McCourry is preparing to record an album and wants to locate a song she vaguely remembers from childhood. The story of Lark's search is interwoven with the stories of her ancestor Malcolm McCourry, who learned the song from a sailor on his way to America in 1751, and the generations between. 2001.

Open Season RC 52910
by Linda Howard
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Daisy Minor awakens on her thirty-fourth birthday and decides she needs her own place, a new wardrobe, a new look, and a husband. While making her transformation, she unknowingly witnesses a murder—placing her life in danger. Explicit descriptions of sex, strong language, and some violence. 2001.

Total Recall: A V.I. Warshawski Novel RC 52911
by Sara Paretsky
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Pursuing two seemingly unrelated cases, the private eye explores insurance fraud and probes the past to help her mentor, Dr. Lotty Herschel. Lotty

is being stalked by a man who claims he's a child survivor of the Holocaust—and a relative. V.I. investigates whether he is an imposter. Bestseller 2001.

Kingdom of Cages RC 52912
by Sarah Zettel
read by Erin Jones
4 cassettes
With humanity facing extinction, Helice and her daughters, Chena and Teal, take refuge on the planet Pandora, a near match to Earth. Instead of safety, however, they find terror. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2001.

American Gods RC 52917
by Neil Gaiman
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
On his way to his wife's funeral, ex-convict Shadow meets the mysterious Mr. Wednesday, who has an uncanny knowledge of Shadow's life. Accepting Wednesday's job offer throws Shadow into a supernatural world where ancient gods abound. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 2001.

Just Imagine RC 52918
by Susan Elizabeth Phillips
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
When Kit Weston, eighteen, learns Baron Cain has inherited the South Carolina plantation where she grew up, she travels to New York City to kill him. Working as Cain's stable "boy," she gets her chance to try. Then she learns Cain is her guardian. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 2001.

Black House RC 52919
by Stephen King and Peter Straub
read by David Hartley-Margolin
5 cassettes
Some twenty years after *The Talisman (RC 21209)*, retired homicide detective Jack Sawyer tries to help rural Wisconsin police solve a series of brutal murders. Gradually Jack is drawn back to the parallel universe that he had forgotten. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

After the Plague: Stories RC 52920
by T. Coraghessan Boyle
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
Sixteen short stories about human interactions, many imbued with wry humor. The title piece conveys a survivor's fears upon encountering a few other remaining people after a worldwide epidemic and has a surprise ending. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

The Runelords: The Sum of All Men RC 52921
by David Farland
read by Richard Hauenstein
4 cassettes
Raj Ahten, ruler of Indhopal, seeks to bring all humanity under his rule by destroying and slaughtering indiscriminately. Meanwhile, Gaborn Val Orden fulfills a two-thousand-year-old prophecy by becoming the Earth King who can unleash the Earth's forces. Followed by *Brotherhood of the Wolf (RC 52922)*. Some violence. 1998.

River of Blue Fire: Otherland, Volume 2 RC 52925
by Tad Williams
read by Erik Sandvold
6 cassettes
The band of virtual explorers who entered Otherland are now trapped by the Grail Brotherhood. Unable to go offline and leave, they follow a river looking for an escape. Instead, they find more and more bizarre landscapes. Sequel to *City of Golden Shadow (RC 52924)*. Violence and strong language. 1998.

Money, Money, Money: A Novel of the 87th Precinct RC 52928
by Ed McBain
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
A lion almost kills Detective Steve Carella when he tries to remove a woman's body from the zoo den. Carella and Fat Ollie Weeks uncover drug smugglers, counterfeit money, hit women, and Arab terrorists while pursuing the case. They also face off with the Treasury Department. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Expendable RC 52936
by James Alan Gardner
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
Officially a member of the Explorer Corps, Festina Ramos recognizes that unofficially she is "expendable." Her elite military company is not expected to return from its missions. Now Festina's new assignment is a trip to the planet Melaquin, but she plans to survive. Some strong language. 1997.

Ascending RC 52937
by James Alan Gardner
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
A friend of Festina Ramos, Oar, tells her own story in this sequel to *Expendable (RC 52936)*. Although Oar's transparent body is indestructible, her mind will become catatonic at age fifty, and she is now forty-nine. Oar has much to accomplish before she hibernates. Some strong language. 2001.

Midnight Bride RC 52939
by Susan Carroll
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
The St. Leger family saga continues as Lance's twin, Val, struggles to accept his fate of having to live a solitary life. Yet young Kate hopes to change his mind with sorcery. Sequel to *The Night Drifter (RC 52938)*. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

Lost River RC 52945
by Paxton Riddle
read by Suzanne Toren
3 cassettes
Tale of the Oregon Modoc tribe's relocation to an Oklahoma reservation in the 1860s. Winema—married to a white miner—tries to help negotiate a peaceful settlement between the two cultures. But betrayals occur on both sides, leading to bloodshed. Some descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1999.

From Where the Sun Now Stands RC 52947
by Will Henry
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
A young Nez Perce warrior, Chief

Joseph's nephew, chronicles the treaty violations that forced his people on a trek from Oregon to Montana. The tribe's doomed campaign for freedom culminates in Chief Joseph's vow to "fight no more forever" in his 1877 surrender speech. Some violence and some strong language. Spur Award. 1960.

Typee: A Peep at Polynesian Life, Omoo: A Narrative of Adventures in the South Seas, Mardi: And a Voyage Thither **RC 52958**
by Herman Melville
read by Michael Scherer
8 cassettes in 2 containers
Three of Melville's early novels, set in Polynesia in the South Seas and based on his sailing experiences. *Typee* (1846) contrasts idyllic island living with restrictive western manners. The sequel, *Omoo* (1847), pursues this theme in Tahiti, while *Mardi* (1849) tells of an allegorical voyage. 1849.

The Jungle RC 52961
by Upton Sinclair
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Grim account of the deplorable conditions in the Chicago meatpacking industry around 1900, as seen through the eyes of Lithuanian immigrant Jurgis Rudkus. When first published, the novel aroused the indignation of the American public and forced government investigations that led to the passage of pure food legislation. 1985 introduction. Some violence. 1906.

The Good Body RC 52962
by Bill Gaston
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Former hockey player Bob Bonaduce returns home to Fredericton, New Brunswick, after a twenty-year absence to become reacquainted with his son, Jason, and wife, Leah. He enrolls in Jason's college but doesn't tell anyone he is newly diagnosed with multiple sclerosis. Some strong language. 2000.

Jester's Fortune: An Alan Lewrie Naval Adventure RC 53005
by Dewey Lambdin
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
In 1796, Naval Commander Alan Lewrie's ship is part of a British squadron patrolling the Adriatic Sea against Napoleon's forces. They battle Balkan pirates and rescue an English widow and her child from enemy soldiers. Sequel to *A King's Commander (RC 47586)*. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1999.

The Good German RC 53016
by Joseph Kanon
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
Reporter Jake Geismar returns to Berlin after the fall of the Nazis to cover the Potsdam Conference and to find former lover, Lena. While there, he discovers an American soldier's body. Sensing a big story, he follows a path revealing war crimes. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 2001.

A Bend in the Road RC 53017
by Nicholas Sparks
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
New Bern, North Carolina. Deputy Sheriff Miles Ryan is still mourning the loss of his wife two years earlier in a hit-and-run accident. Sarah Andrews, his son's teacher, is coping with a nasty divorce. Miles and Sarah fall in love, but their future is shattered when a secret is uncovered. Some strong language. 2001.

Firefly Beach RC 53025
by Luanne Rice
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
Sisters Caroline, Clea, and Skye return to their family homestead to visit when Joe Connor, an individual connected to their troubled past, arrives. He is the son of the man who committed suicide in front of the family three decades ago. And it was their father's fault. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Blood on the Divide: The First Mountain Man, Volume 2 RC 53030
by William W. Johnstone
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
1838. The Pardee brothers, along with renegade Indians expelled from various tribes, live by raiding and killing settlers traveling in wagons along the Oregon Trail. Mountain man Preacher learns of their schemes and sets out to defeat them. Sequel to *Journey of the Mountain Man (RC 30046)*. Violence and strong language. 1992.

The Third Option RC 53036
by Vince Flynn
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
CIA agent Mitch Rapp, last seen in *Transfer of Power (RC 50675)*, is sent on a mission to Germany to assassinate a businessman selling arms to Saddam Hussein. When the couple assisting Rapp try to kill him, he goes undercover to investigate political intrigue. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 2000.

Mercy RC 53042
by Julie Garwood
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Dr. Michelle Renard saves the life of federal attorney Theo Buchanan in New Orleans before returning home to the bayou. Theo decides to thank her in person and discovers that she is being harassed and threatened by unknown locals. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 2001.

Plantation: A Lowcountry Tale RC 53043
by Dorothea Benton Frank
read by Ann Hodapp
3 cassettes
New Yorker Caroline Levine swore she would never return home to South Carolina. Then her brother Trip calls begging her to come see about Mother. Caroline, finding a person who is the same yet greatly changed, learns what it means to come home. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

The Secret Ingredient Murders: A Eugenia Potter Mystery RC 53049
by Nancy Pickard
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Genia Potter leaves her Arizona ranch to help counsel her teenaged great-niece and nephew in Devon, Rhode Island. There she teams up with an aspiring cookbook writer to host a dinner for cooking aficionados, only to find him murdered the night of the party. Her troubled great-nephew is the prime suspect. 2001.

Envy RC 53050
by Sandra Brown
read by Richard Hauenstein
3 cassettes
Publisher Maris Matherly-Reed is so intrigued by the story line of a manuscript that she travels from New York to Georgia to meet the author. Her actions set in motion the uncovering of a rivalry between friends that sent one to prison and made the other famous. Strong language, some descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller 2001.

The Marble Mask RC 53054
by Archer Mayor
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Detective Joe Gunther has just joined the new Vermont Bureau of Investigation when the police discover the fifty-year-old frozen corpse of a French-Canadian mob leader on Mount Mansfield near Stowe. No one knows why the gangster's disappearance went unnoticed. Gunther is handed the puzzle. Some violence and some strong language. 2000.

Long Time No See RC 53058
by Susan Isaacs
read by Norma Lana
2 cassettes
Despite her policeman lover's admonitions, amateur sleuth Judith Singer searches for clues to the murder of a neighbor. Courtney Logan disappeared on Halloween night, and now in May her body has been found in her own pool. Sequel to *Compromising Positions (RC 11629)*. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

A Deadly Shade of Gold RC 53062
by John D. MacDonald
read by Richard Davidson
3 cassettes (Reissue)
The death of his friend Sam Taggart takes Florida private detective Travis McGee to Mexico to find the murderer. The only evidence in the case is a priceless pre-Columbian gold statuette. Some strong language. 1965.

Shock RC 53066
by Robin Cook
read by Faith Potts
2 cassettes
Harvard coeds Deborah Cochrane and Joanna Meissner fund a stay in Venice for academic pursuits by donating ova to the Wingate Infertility Clinic. Later Joanna, seeking to learn what happened to her gametes, convinces Deborah to help her investigate. They don't like their findings. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Flight RC 53076
by Jan Burke
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Ten years after police detective Philip Lefebvre was suspected of killing a teenager—the only witness to a multiple murder—and destroying crucial evidence, the missing lawman's body is discovered. Reporter Irene Kelly's husband, homicide investigator Frank Harriman, reopens the old case and uncovers a conspiracy. Violence and strong language. 2001.

The Hunted RC 53079
by Alan Jacobson
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
When psychologist Lauren Chambers's husband, Michael, fails to return from a

ski trip, she enlists the help of private investigator Nick Bradley. It appears that Michael was injured, has amnesia, and has been told by the FBI that he's an undercover agent. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Soldier X RC 53080
by Don Wulffson
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
In 1944, bilingual sixteen-year-old Erik Brandt, whose grandparents are Russian, is conscripted into the German army and sent to the eastern front. He is caught behind enemy lines and exchanges uniforms with a dead Russian soldier. But can he fake his identity for long? Violence. For senior high and older readers. 2001.

Black Sunday RC 53082
by Thomas Harris
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes (Reissue)
To protest American policies in the Middle East, a fanatical terrorist group plots the annihilation of 80,000 Super Bowl spectators. Their prime weapon is Michael Lander, a deranged ex-navy pilot seeking revenge, and his handler —beautiful assassin Dahlia Iyad. Some explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1975.

***A River Runs through It* and Other Stories RC 53083**
by Norman Maclean
read by Rick Foucheux
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The author of *Young Men and Fire (RC 35639)* re-creates his early years in Montana. In "A River Runs through It" he reminisces about fly fishing with his brother and father in the 1930s. Other stories deal with summer jobs in logging and fighting fires. Some strong language. 1976.

The Fountainhead RC 53087
by Ayn Rand
read by Steven Carpenter
6 cassettes (Reissue)
Although he is expelled from school, Howard Roark is determined to succeed as an architect, rejecting the conventional path of his friend Peter Keating and the wiles of his destructive lover Dominique Francon. Some descriptions of sex. 1943.

Celia Garth: A Story of Charleston in the Revolution RC 53091
by Gwen Bristow
read by Nanette Savard
3 cassettes
Twenty-year-old Celia Garth is a dressmaker in Charleston, South Carolina, when the Revolutionary War breaks out. She sides with the patriots, helping Francis Marion by providing him with information obtained from her Tory customers. 1959.

Snow Mountain Passage RC 53093
by James D. Houston
read by Michael Scherer
2 cassettes
Fictionalized account of the horrific ordeals of the California-bound Donner Party, stranded in the Sierra Nevada in the winter of 1846, including their desperate resort to cannibalism. The tale of James Reed, expelled from the group and subsequently a rescue-party organizer, is interspersed with childhood recollections provided decades later by his elderly daughter. 2001.

More than Memory RC 53094
by Dorothy Garlock
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
In 1949, Nelda Hansen, pregnant with Lute Hanson's child, was forced by her father to marry Lute and divorce him almost immediately. Now, nine years later, Nelda returns to Iowa where she and Lute grew up, and where Lute still lives. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

Touching Spirit Bear RC 53095
by Ben Mikaelsen
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
To avoid prison after viciously attacking a classmate, fifteen-year-old Cole agrees to a Native American tradition for healing—one year alone on a remote Alaskan island. There Cole confronts a huge white Spirit Bear that changes his life. Some violence. For junior and senior high readers. 2001.

Ex-Libris RC 53097
by Ross King
read by David Cutler
3 cassettes
London, 1660. Bookseller Isaac Inchbold is commissioned by impoverished widow Alethea Greatorex, daughter of the late Sir Ambrose Plessington, to locate a palimpsest stolen by Cromwell's soldiers during the civil war. The mild-mannered merchant is thus thrust into a world of political intrigue, treachery, and murder. 1998.

Fair Blows the Wind RC 53098
by Louis L'Amour
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In this colonial adventure, Irish-born Tatton Chantry, shipwrecked on the North Carolina coast, encounters Spanish profiteers and a lovely Peruvian lady. To win their treasure and her heart, Chantry takes on the pirates and savage Indians. 1978.

The Makioka Sisters RC 53099
by Junichiro Tanizaki
read by Mary Kane
4 cassettes
Four sisters struggle to adhere to formal traditions as their prestigious Osaka family declines between 1936 and 1941. Familial bonds disintegrate while they try to survive poverty, preserve the family name, and find a husband for the third sister, Yukiko. First published in Japan in 1943. Includes an introduction, bibliography, and chronology of Tanizaki's life. 1993.

American West: Twenty New Stories from the Western Writers of America RC 53107
edited by Loren D. Estleman
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Twenty nontraditional western tales. "The Guardians," a story by Don Coldsmith, is based on a historical incident in which Native Americans are not attackers but protectors. In "A Piano at Dead Man's Crossing," Johnny D. Boggs writes a moving narrative from the perspective of a piano. Some strong language. 2001.

More than a Mistress RC 53118
by Mary Balogh
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Jane Ingleby came to Regency-era London to escape scheming relatives. Walking through Hyde Park, she happens upon a duel. Her screams result in the duke of Tresham's being shot and Jane's

becoming his nurse for three weeks. Later she is given three options for her future. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2000.

No Man's Mistress RC 53119
by Mary Balogh
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Viola Thornhill is happy being the mistress of Pinewood Manor, an estate left to her by the earl of Bamber. But her contentment is shattered when Lord Ferdinand Dudley arrives, claiming to be the new owner. Sequel to *More than a Mistress (RC 53118)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 2001.

Honey: Shooting Stars, Volume 4 RC 53121
by V.C. Andrews
read by Kristin Allison
1 cassette
Honey has grown up on a farm run by her fanatically religious grandfather. She has a remarkable talent for playing the violin, and her teacher has paired her up with a brilliant pianist. Her grandfather, however, opposes the relationship. Sequel to *Rose (RC 53120)*. Bestseller 2001.

Seduction in Death RC 53132
by J.D. Robb
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
New York City lieutenant Eve Dallas investigates serial killings of single women, who are first targeted in a chat room and later overpowered with a date-rape drug during their first encounters with the killer or killers. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

Time and Again RC 53136
by Nora Roberts
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
In *Time Was*, Caleb Hornblower leaves Philadelphia in the twenty-third century, crash lands in Oregon in the twenty-first century, and falls in love with his rescuer, Liberty. In *Times Change*, his brother Jacob arrives hoping to convince Caleb to return home. Instead, Jacob is smitten by Liberty's sister. Descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Desecration: Antichrist Takes the Throne RC 53137
by Tim LaHaye and Jerry B. Jenkins
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Rayford Steele and members of the Tribulation Force prepare to rescue God's chosen people. Meanwhile, followers of Nicolae Carpathia gather at the temple, where they plan to take the mark in Nicolae's presence—and where Nicolae plans to declare himself God. Sequel to *The Mark (RC 51272)*. Bestseller 2001.

Dune: House Corrino; Prelude to *Dune*, Volume 3 RC 53145
by Brian Herbert and
Kevin J. Anderson
read by J.P. Linton
4 cassettes
This sequel to *Dune: House Harkonnen (RC 50949)* concludes the series of prequels to *Dune (RC 44126)*. Padishah emperor Shaddam IV of the House of Corrino tries to gain absolute power by creating a synthetic spice known as amal—a substitute for melange, the spice found only on Dune. Bestseller 2001.

Secret Sanction RC 53151
by Brian Haig
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Army lawyer Major Sean Drummond is assigned to investigate the massacre of thirty-five Serbs by a U.S. Special Forces team in Kosovo. Drummond and defense attorney Captain Lisa Morrow interrogate the Green Berets and uncover secret missions, a mutiny, and conspiracies that lead to murder. Violence and strong language. 2001.

Evan Can Wait: A Constable Evans Mystery RC 53153
by Rhys Bowen
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Constable Evan Evans discovers that his girlfriend's ex-husband is part of a group of documentary filmmakers, in Llanfair, Wales, to extricate a German bomber from the lake. Then a crew member, investigating the theory that invaluable art was hidden in the mine shafts during the war, is murdered. 2001.

Daughter of the Forest: The Sevenwaters Trilogy, Book 1 RC 53155
by Juliet Marillier
read by Gabriella Cavallero
4 cassettes
Lord Colum of Sevenwaters has six talented sons—Liam, Diarmid, twins Cormack and Conor, Finbar, and Padriac. But it is his seventh child and only daughter, Sorcha, who can restore his sons to humanity after Colum's new wife, Oonagh, changes them into swans. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 2000.

Double-Cross: A Western Story RC 53173
by Stephen Overholser
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Cowboy Matt MacLeod enters the Denver jail on an errand. He notices an accused murderer who could pass for his twin. The unknown man is due to hang at noon the next day. Matt, however, cannot let the man die without an explanation. Some strong language. 2001.

In My Wildest Dreams RC 53202
by Christina Dodd
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Victorian England. Celeste, the gardener's daughter, always wanted to marry Ellery, the youngest son of the Throckmorton family. After her schooling, she returns as governess to Garrick Throckmorton's children. To make sure Celeste does not interfere with Ellery's impending nuptials, Garrick puts himself in an unplanned position. Explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

Midnight Bayou RC 53204
by Nora Roberts
read by Erin Jones
2 cassettes
Declan Fitzgerald, tired of being a Boston lawyer, buys Manet Hall near New Orleans with plans to restore the old plantation. But he does not expect to find his house haunted by rape, murder, and betrayal. Strong language, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller 2001.

Revenge of the Mountain Man
RC 53205
by William W. Johnstone
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Colorado, 1880. Smoke Jensen, gunslinger turned rancher, vows revenge on the three men who shot his pregnant second wife. After sending Sally home to New Hampshire, he tracks down the shooters and discovers that they have a twenty-year-old grudge against him. Some violence and some strong language. 1988.

A Soldier's Duty RC 53206
by Thomas E. Ricks
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
New lovers, majors Cindy Sherman and Bud Lewis, have just arrived at the Pentagon when the president sends troops to Afghanistan. The "Sons of Liberty," a secret military organization, questions the move and plans a coup against the unpopular commander in chief. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 2001.

The Light of Day RC 53207
by Eric Ambler
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Arthur Simpson, a petty thief and con man caught stealing traveler's checks from a hotel room, finds himself with no choice but to follow his "victim's" orders. If he refuses, he may be arrested by the Turkish or Greek police. Either way, he becomes involved in an international conspiracy. Some strong language. 1962.

Force 12 RC 53208
by James Thayer
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Computer billionaire Rex Wyman designs a yacht to sail strictly by computer. His programmer girlfriend Gwen Weld joins him to cross the Pacific, but once in the Bering Sea they realize that a virus is sabotaging the system. Gwen e-mails Jess McKay, an Alaska National Guard captain, for help. 2001.

The Whistling Toilets RC 53211
by Randy Powell
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Sixteen-year-old Stan spends the summer helping his childhood friend—fifteen-year-old tennis champion Ginny—overcome her career slump. He also coaches inner-city Seattle kids while Ginny decides whether she wants to assume a normal teenage life. For senior high readers. 1996.

Be My Valentine RC 53218
by Sheila Rabe
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
When her boyfriend refuses to commit, Shelby takes the advice of her mother, romance writer Diana Valentine, and invents another guy to make him jealous. The only problem is that she picks a common name, David Jones, for the fictitious rival, with a real person attached to it—someone she falls in love with. 2001.

Hooking Up RC 53223
by Tom Wolfe
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
Collection of essays on a wide range of cultural topics and the novella "Ambush

at Fort Bragg." In "My Three Stooges," Wolfe retaliates against hostile reviews of his novel *A Man in Full (RC 47041)*. In "Hooking Up," America at the turn of the millennium is observed. 2000.

The Coming RC 53234
by Joe Haldeman
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Florida, 2054. When astronomy professor Dr. Aurora Bell receives a message indicating the approach of aliens, she estimates that they will reach Earth on New Year's Day. As the day approaches, politicians, religious leaders, and mobsters are all drawn in to the frenzy of anticipation, drowning out Bell's pleas for reason. Strong language. 2000.

The Mitford Snowmen: A Christmas Story RC 53292
by Jan Karon
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
The townspeople of Mitford hold a spontaneous snowman-building contest. Bestseller 2001.

The Kiss RC 53294
by Danielle Steel
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Isabelle Forrester, wife of a Paris banker and mother of an extremely ill son, and Bill Robinson, a married Washington power broker, have had a telephone friendship for years. When they finally meet in London, their relationship begins to change. Then they are involved in a deadly crash. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Aunt Dimity: Detective RC 53303
by Nancy Atherton
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
American Lori Willis lives in Finch, an English town in the Cotswolds, with her husband and young twins. When newcomer Prunella Hooper is found murdered, Lori investigates with the help of her Aunt Dimity's ghost—while the villagers hide secrets. 2001.

Casual Rex RC 53313
by Eric Garcia
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Anonymous Rex (RC 51606)*, private Los Angeles detectives Vincent Rubio and Ernie Watson—dinosaurs masquerading as humans—take on a case involving a cult. Some dinos want to discontinue their human disguises and assert their natural superiority, and some are murdered. Strong language and some violence. 2001.

Don't Tell Anyone RC 53322
by Frederick Busch
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Short stories and a novella concerning families and betrayal. In "Heads," a widowed mother watches her daughter—a law school student who was raped—fall apart. In "Still the Same Old Story," a teenage daughter suffers as a result of her parents' infidelities. Explicit descriptions of sex and strong language. 2000.

Murder One RC 53350
by William Bernhardt
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Tulsa attorney Ben Kincaid, last seen in

Silent Justice (RC 51283), frees—on a technicality—nineteen-year-old stripper Keri from serving time for killing her cop boyfriend. The police force retaliates against his law office, jeopardizing colleague Christina McCall's life. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 2001.

Sugar RC 53355
by Bernice L. McFadden
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
When prostitute Sugar Lacey inherits a house in Bigelow, Arkansas, in 1955, the other African American women ostracize her. Churchgoing neighbor Pearl Taylor, however, befriends Sugar because she looks like Pearl's murdered daughter. Eventually they share secrets. Explicit descriptions of sex, violence, and strong language. 2000.

From the Dust Returned: A Family Remembrance RC 53357
by Ray Bradbury
read by David Hartley-Margolin
1 cassette
Ten-year-old Timothy, a mortal foundling and the family historian, relates the story of the gala homecoming of the far-flung, time-defying Elliott clan to their mysterious, ramshackle Illinois mansion. Among the company are slumbering telepathic shape-shifter Cecy and bat-winged Uncle Einar. Bestseller 2001.

Royal Summons RC 53359
by Elizabeth Cadell
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Ellen Berg, whose mother died when she was three, has grown up in Arizona. On her father's death, Ellen inherits a fifteenth-century English manor house through her maternal lineage. Arriving in England, she finds a lovely mansion, a formidable aunt, and a handsome young archaeologist. 1972.

All about Passion RC 53361
by Stephanie Laurens
read by Kristin Allison
3 cassettes
Gyles Rawlings, the thirty-five-year-old earl of Chillingworth, has decided to take a wife. He wants a lady of suitable birth and breeding to provide him with heirs. He chooses Francesca Rawlings and believes he is meeting her in her garden. But a surprise awaits him at the altar. Explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

Brazen Virtue RC 53372
by Nora Roberts
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Mystery writer Grace McCabe comes to Washington, D.C., to visit her sister, Kathleen, hoping for rest and a sisterly bond. But everything changes when Kathleen, who works at night as a phone-sex operator, is strangled to death. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1988.

Locked Inside RC 53395
by Nancy Werlin
read by Kristin Allison
2 cassettes
Filthy-rich orphan Marnie Skyedottir, daughter of a dead New Age singer, lives at boarding school with only an anonymous computer buddy, "Elf," for a friend. When she is kidnapped during spring break, Elf is her sole hope for rescue. Some violence. For senior high readers. 2000.

The Bastard King RC 53535
by Jean Plaidy
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
The story of William the Conqueror, the illegitimate son of the Duke of Normandy, and his rise to power. William successfully invades England in 1066, claiming the promised throne. But treachery and unrest continue. Prequel to *The Lion of Justice (RC 40330)*. 1974.

Forever Free RC 53546
by Joe Haldeman
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
Man, a race of clones, exiles humans, including veteran Mandella, to the snow-covered planet Middle Finger after the Forever War. Mandella revolts against being a genetic resource for Man, rallying his cohorts to begin humanity anew. Sequel to *The Forever War (RC 48659)*. 1999.

Violets Are Blue RC 53565
by James Patterson
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Detective Dr. Alex Cross continues to be tormented by calls from the elusive "Mastermind" killer while assisting an FBI investigation of nationwide ritualistic vampire murders. Sequel to *Roses Are Red (RC 51270)*. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2001.

Hateship, Friendship, Courtship, Loveship, Marriage: Stories RC 53585
by Alice Munro
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Nine short stories exploring conflicting emotions and introspection. In "What Is Remembered," a woman reminisces about an impulsive tryst with a stranger early in her married days and how that memory became a treasured fantasy sustaining her through a humdrum existence. Some strong language. Bestseller 2001.

Falling Angels RC 53613
by Tracy Chevalier
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
The day after Queen Victoria's death, two five-year-olds meet beside their families' cemetery plots. Maude is skeptical and analytic, Lavinia romantic and sentimental. Maude's mother rebels against a claustrophobic marriage to become a suffragist, but at great personal cost. Their voices and many others in counterpoint reveal a society in crisis. Bestseller 2001.

Embers RC 53619
by Sándor Márai
read by Anne Flosnik
1 cassette
Hungary, 1940. The old general, Henrik, entertains his closest childhood friend, whom he has not seen in forty-one years. As he talks and questions Konrad, a complex history of friendship, passion, and betrayal is untangled. First published in Budapest in 1942. Translated by Carol Brown Janeway. Bestseller 2001.

Daddy's Little Girl RC 53709
by Mary Higgins Clark
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Reporter Ellie Cavanaugh of Atlanta returns to Westchester County, New York, to protest the parole of wealthy heir Rob Westerfield, convicted of murdering her teenaged sister twenty-two years ago. Even as Ellie reopens the

case and starts a web site, she experiences some doubts. Then someone threatens her life. Bestseller 2002.

The Shelters of Stone RC 53756
by Jean M. Auel
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
6 cassettes
Continues the saga of prehistoric society from *The Plains of Passage (RC 31965)*. Ayla and Jondalar, with their two horses and a wolf, arrive at the caves of the Zelandonii—Jondalar's people—and receive a mixed welcome. Ayla, as an outsider with strange customs, strives to win acceptance. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 2002.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Native American Chiefs and Warriors RC 50573
by Stuart A. Kallen
read by Lindsay Ellison
1 cassette
Discusses the lives of five influential Native American chiefs: King Philip, a Wampanoag from the 1600s; Chief Pontiac, an Ottawa born in the 1720s; Geronimo, an Apache born in 1829; Crazy Horse, an Oglala Sioux born in 1841; and Wilma Mankiller, a Cherokee born in 1945. For grades 6-9. 1999.

Tiger Woods RC 51056
by William C. Durbin
read by Chuck Young
1 cassette
Describes the career of Tiger Woods, who in 1997 became the youngest golfer in history to win the Masters Tournament. Explores his parents' role in his success and the talent and competitiveness he always exhibited for the sport. Includes a glossary. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2000.

Advertising: Information or Manipulation? RC 51111
by Nancy Day
read by Candy Shannon
1 cassette
Discusses how advertising has developed, how companies use it to entice consumers, and how it affects various markets, especially young people. Includes information about advertising in disguise—in infomercials, movies, and music videos, and even on PBS. For grades 6-9. 1999.

Auto Racing: A History of Fast Cars and Fearless Drivers RC 51188
by Mark Stewart
read by Russ Weinstein
2 cassettes
Discusses the origins, evolution, historic

milestones, and key personalities of automobile racing. Recalls the first motor race in France, in 1887. Although there was only one entry, the event signaled the beginning of an extremely popular spectator sport. Describes the first American race, in 1895—in the snow. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Hockey: A History of the Fastest Game on Ice RC 51189
by Mark Stewart
read by John Fulks
1 cassette
A history of the game from its origins almost 3,000 years ago through its evolution into a popular pastime in Canada. Discusses the organization of league play, the establishment of the Stanley Cup, and some of the most famous players and teams. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1998.

Everything You Need to Know about Cerebral Palsy RC 51258
by Dion Pincus
read by Graci Ragsdale Miller
1 cassette
Presents facts concerning cerebral palsy (CP)—the most common lifelong physical disability in the United States—and refutes some myths. Discusses different forms of the disorder, its causes, and treatments. Uses case studies to portray how young people deal with this condition. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Black Hands, White Sails: The Story of African American Whalers RC 51501
by Patricia C. McKissack and Fredrick L. McKissack
read by Chuck Young
1 cassette
A history of African American whalers between 1730 and 1880, describing their contribution to the whaling industry and their role in the abolition movement. Due to limited job opportunities, both free blacks and runaway slaves worked as sailors despite the low pay and savage conditions. For grades 6-9. Coretta Scott King Honor Book. 1999.

***Scientific American* Inventions from Outer Space: Everyday Uses for NASA Technology RC 51546**
by David Baker
read by Candy Shannon
1 cassette
Details products, services, and inventions that are available to the public because of forty years of successful research by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). Includes keyboards for disabled workers, home water filters, the shock-absorbing soles of running shoes, and other achievements. For grades 6-9. 2000.

The Impeachment of William Jefferson Clinton RC 51583
by Daniel Cohen
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Examines the events leading up to the impeachment of President Clinton, including the Whitewater investigation, the media coverage, and the grand jury proceedings, and describes the impeachment process by the Senate. Also analyzes the legacy and ramifications of this scandal. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

Geology Rocks! Fifty Hands-On Activities to Explore the Earth RC 51590
by Cindy Blobaum
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Explores basic facts about geology using activities and experiments with familiar household items. One experiment calls

for removing chips intact from a chocolate chip cookie to learn about mining; another for floating graham crackers on peanut butter to understand plate tectonics. Safety precautions are included. For grades 4-7. 1999.

Native Americans of the Southeast RC 52373
by Christina M. Girod
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Discusses the original inhabitants of what is now the southeastern United States, including the Choctaw, Chickasaw, Cherokee, Calusa, Timucua, Catawba, Natchez, Creek, and Seminole tribes. Covers their history, social customs, culture, and religion. Relates their decline after their forced removal to reservations farther west. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2001.

Native Americans of the Great Lakes RC 52413
by Stuart A. Kallen
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Examines the history and customs of the Algonquian and the Six Nations of the Iroquois tribes found in the Great Lakes region of Canada and the United States. Discusses housing, hunting practices, religion, child rearing, and armed conflicts. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2000.

Charles Dickens: The Man Who Had Great Expectations RC 53061
by Diane Stanley and Peter Vennema
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
Follows the life and writing career of Charles Dickens, the famous nineteenth-century English novelist whose works include *David Copperfield (RC 22325)*, *Oliver Twist (RC 22868)*, and *A Christmas Carol (RC 43546)*. Describes his advocacy for needy children. For grades 4-7. 1993.

Hurry Freedom: African Americans in Gold Rush California RC 53156
by Jerry Stanley
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
Recounts the history of African Americans in California during the gold rush of the nineteenth century. Focuses on the life and work of Mifflin Gibbs, a prosperous businessman, who lobbied to pass bills that would improve the living standards of black Californians. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2000.

American Computer Pioneers RC 53199
by Mary Northrup
read by John Richardson
1 cassette
Profiles ten people who helped develop computers. Includes Steve Jobs, who dropped out of college and helped create Apple Computer, Inc., in his garage in 1976; Bill Gates, who wrote his first program when he was thirteen; and Rear Admiral Grace Hopper, who invented technical languages for the navy. For grades 6-9. 1998.

Loco for Lizards RC 53222
by Jim Cherry
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Explores the popularity of lizards in film, music, art, and advertising. Discusses the natural history of these reptiles: what they are, what they do, how they live, and the myths and folklore surrounding them. For grades 6-9. 2000.

Kittens Today: A Complete and Up-to-Date Guide RC 53226
by Greg Ovechka
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Discusses the appeal of cats and the advantages of having more than one. Provides information on various breeds and how to select a cat for oneself. Includes tips on preparing a home for a kitten, what to feed it, and how to maintain its health. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1996.

Physics Projects for Young Scientists RC 53232
by Richard C. Adams and Peter H. Goodwin
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
Explains how to conduct simple experiments exploring the science of physics. Projects address the study of mechanics; temperature and pressure; properties of matter; vibrations, electricity, and magnetism; and building an ammeter. For grades 6-9. 2000.

Heartsongs RC 53296
by Mattie J.T. Stepanek
read by Norma Lana
1 cassette
A collection of poems by a boy who has a rare form of muscular dystrophy. He expresses his belief in celebrating the gifts of life every day and encourages everyone to listen to the special song inside his or her heart. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 2001.

Journey through Heartsongs RC 53299
by Mattie J.T. Stepanek
read by Norma Lana
1 cassette
This second collection of poems expands on the themes of faith and hope found in *Heartsongs (RC 53296)*. In "I Could . . . If They Would," Mattie shares his dreams of what he would do if a cure were discovered for his rare disease. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 2001.

Coretta Scott King RC 53335
by Lisa Renee Rhodes
read by John Hammock
1 cassette
A biography of Coretta Scott King, political activist and widow of Martin Luther King Jr., the slain civil rights leader. Discusses her childhood in rural Alabama, her marriage, and her crusade to keep her husband's message of peace and equality alive after his murder in 1968. For grades 6-9. 1998.

Cassettes Fiction

Little House in the Big Woods RC 50921
by Laura Ingalls Wilder
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette (Reissue)
Wisconsin, 1871. The Ingalls family experiences pioneer life in a little log house, miles from any settlement. They feel safe and secure despite blizzards, wolves, and the loneliness of the big woods. Prequel to *Little House on the Prairie (RC 50922)*. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1932.

The Time Bike RC 51255
by Jane Langton
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
After his beloved brand-new bike is stolen, Eddy receives an old-fashioned bicycle from an uncle in India. Eddy's disappointment vanishes when he realizes the vintage two-wheeler is capable

of transporting him back in time. Companion to *The Fragile Flag (RC 22755)* and others. For grades 4-7. 2000.

The Heart Calls Home RC 51261
by Joyce Hansen
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
South Carolina, 1860s. In this sequel to *Out from This Place (RC 31802)*, former slave Obi Booker returns home during Reconstruction and searches for Easter, his future bride. But it is years before he learns of her whereabouts. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Kit's Wilderness RC 51741
by David Almond
read by David Cutler
1 cassette
When Kit Watson is thirteen, his family moves to the old mining town of Stoneygate to be with his grandfather. Kit finds a strange connection between his grandfather's tales of the mines, ghosts of old, and the eerie game called "Death," which takes Kit down into the pit. For grades 6-9. Michael L. Printz Award. 1999.

The Year of Miss Agnes RC 51865
by Kirkpatrick Hill
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Ten-year-old Athapascan Indian Frederika relates the story of a special teacher who comes to her Alaskan village in 1948. Miss Agnes makes education interesting for everyone in the one-room schoolhouse, including Fred's twelve-year-old deaf sister, Bokko, who learns sign language for the first time. For grades 3-6. 2000.

Friedrich RC 52668
by Hans Peter Richter
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
A young German recounts the fate of his best friend, Friedrich, a Jew, during the Nazi regime. Reflects on the dehumanization of Friedrich's family and his death after being forbidden to enter an air-raid shelter. For grades 6-9. 1961.

Prairie School RC 52740
by Avi
read by Norma Lana
1 cassette
When Aunt Dora, a schoolteacher, comes to visit Noah's family in 1880, nine-year-old Noah feels no need to read or write. But Aunt Dora changes his mind by expanding his world while he pushes her wheelchair across the prairie. For grades 2-4. 2001.

First Test: Protector of the Small, Book 1 RC 52767
by Tamora Pierce
read by Lisette Lecat
2 cassettes
Ten-year-old Keladry is dismayed that she must pass a year's probation to be the first female page in Tortall. But her desire to become a knight and protect people is so strong that Kel accepts the condition. Followed by *Page (RC 52768)*. For grades 5-8. 1999.

Hemlock Hill Hideaway RC 53022
by Carrie Bender
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
The Petersheims of Whispering Brook buy a farm for young Omar and send his sister Nancy to keep house for him. The Amish siblings are joined by the mischievous abandoned child Dannie, who adopts a coon and continues to

cause problems. Sequel to *Chestnut Ridge Acres (RC 46800)*. For grades 4-7. 2000.

Taggerung: A Tale from Redwall
RC 53037
by Brian Jacques
read by Brian Conn
3 cassettes
The clan of Sawney Rath kidnap an otter born at Redwall Abbey because he bears the special mark of Taggerung, the warrior hero. But Tagg refuses to kill, rebelling against his adoptive tribe and seeking his true heritage. For grades 5-8. Bestseller 2001.

Racing the Sun RC 53089
by Paul Pitts
read by Mark Ashby
1 cassette
The fact that he's an American Indian isn't something Brandon Rogers publicizes. His father abandoned his Navajo ways back in college. But when his grandfather moves in with the family, twelve-year-old Brandon slowly learns to appreciate his heritage. For grades 5-8. 1988.

The Color of My Words RC 53096
by Lynn Joseph
read by MaryBeth Wise
1 cassette
Ana, a twelve-year-old writer living in the Dominican Republic, depends on her older brother to enhance her talents—until the life-changing events on her thirteenth birthday. For grades 4-7. 2000.

The Vanishings: Left Behind—the Kids, Volume 1 RC 53122
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Judd, Vicki, Lionel, and Ryan are friends. They have not found Christ, although their families are Christians and attend church regularly. When people around them start disappearing, the four band together to fight the evil forces threatening them. Followed by *Second Chance (RC 53123)*. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Second Chance: Left Behind—the Kids, Volume 2 RC 53123
by Jerry B. Jenkins and Tim LaHaye
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Now Judd, Vicki, Lionel, and Ryan are facing the decision of whether or not to accept Christ and his forgiveness. Lionel, confronting the possibility that his Uncle André may try to kill himself, rushes to Chicago to save him. Sequel to *The Vanishings (RC 53122)*. For grades 5-8. 1998.

Nobody Knew What to Do: A Story about Bullying RC 53157
by Becky Ray McCain
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
When some bullies keep picking on Ray at school, Ray's classmate takes on the responsibility for stopping the action. He tells a trusted teacher what is happening to Ray and the adults get involved. For grades K-3. 2001.

Aria of the Sea RC 53214
by Dia Calhoun
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
In a magical kingdom by the sea, talented thirteen-year-old commoner Cerinthe wins a place in the School of the Royal Dancers. She ignores her gift for healing until a life-threatening accident occurs. Then Cerinthe realizes she

must decide which career to follow to truly be herself. For grades 6-9. 2000.

How Tía Lola Came to (Visit) Stay
RC 53326
by Julia Alvarez
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
Nine-year-old New Yorker Miguel and his sister Juanita move to Vermont with their mother after their parents divorce. Struggling to fit in, Miguel is embarrassed when his Spanish-speaking aunt from the Dominican Republic comes to live with them. For grades 4-7. 2001.

The Ninth Jewel of the Mughal Crown: The Birbal Tales from the Oral Traditions of India RC 53367
by James Moseley
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
A collection of short stories about the Indian emperor Akbar and his clever adviser, Birbal. In "Birbal and the Crows" Birbal impresses Akbar by outwitting a jealous man who asks how many crows exactly are in a certain city. For grades 3-6. 2001.

Planning the Impossible RC 53394
by Mavis Jukes
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
In this companion to *Expecting the Unexpected (RC 49204)*, California sixth-grader River is concerned about her sex education class, her mother's pregnancy, and the nasty flirt who tries to break up budding friendships. For grades 6-9. 1999.

Junie B., First Grader (at Last!)
RC 53656
by Barbara Park
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Junie B. is not happy the first days of first grade. She feels left out because her old friends are making new friends. And worst of all, Junie B. needs to wear glasses. For grades K-3. 2001.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Redoble por Rancas (Drums for Rancas)
RC 52884
por Manuel Scorza
leído por Juan Ramírez
2 cassettes
Una historia basada en eventos verídicos que narra la persecución y matanza de los indios peruanos desde 1950 a 1962 en la parte central de los Andes. El autor mismo fue perseguido y desterrado, y en su narrativa emplea los nombres verdaderos de los participantes. Lenguaje injurioso. (Based on actual incidents, a tale about the persecution and massacre of Peruvian Indians in the Central Andes from 1950 to 1962. Scorza, who was persecuted and exiled, uses the real names of his characters. Some strong language.) 1970.

Diez Comedias del Siglo de Oro (Ten Plays of the Golden Age): An Annotated Omnibus of Ten Complete Plays by the Most Representative Spanish Dramatists of the Golden Age RC 52886
recopilado por José Martel y Hymen Alpern
leído por Juan Ramírez
7 cassettes en 2 envases
Presentan diez comedias de dramaturgos famosos de España del siglo diecisiete. Incluyen *La Numancia* de Cervantes, *Fuenteovejuna* de Lope de Vega, *El Burlador de Sevilla* de Molina, *Las Mocedades del Cid* de Castro y *La Vida Es Sueño* de Calderón de la Barca. Presentan las comedias en español con introducción y notas biográficas y bibliográficas en inglés. (Ten seventeenth-century Spanish plays by major playwrights, including Cervantes, Molina, Castro, and Calderón. Includes introductory, biographical, and bibliographical information in English and the plays in Spanish.) 1968.

Diez Negritos (And Then There Were None) RC 52972
por Agatha Christie
leído por María Pino
2 cassettes
Diez personas de varias suertes se encuentran los convidados de una aislada casa señorial. Se ignoran de quién es el hospedero escondido que empieza a asesinarles, uno tras uno. (Ten oddly assorted people find themselves the houseguests of an invisible host who slowly begins killing them one by one.) 1997.

Allí Donde el Mar Recuerda (A Place Where the Sea Remembers) RC 52973
por Sandra Benítez
leído por María Pino
1 cassette
En Santiago, México, Candelario está alegre con su nuevo trabajo como ensaladero. Al aprender que su joven cuñada, Marta, fue violada y que ahora quiere un aborto, Candelario promete adoptar el bebe de ella. Pero, inesperadamente Candelario pierde su trabajo y su propria mujer se encuentra embarazada, haciéndole abandonar su promesa. (Candelario is pleased with his promotion to salad-maker in Santiago, Mexico. When he learns that his wife's young sister, Marta, was raped and is planning an abortion, he grandly offers to adopt the baby. But when Candelario loses his job and his wife becomes pregnant, he reneges on his promise.) 1996.

El Misterioso Caso de Styles (The Mysterious Affair at Styles) RC 52974
por Agatha Christie
leído por Juan Ramírez
2 cassettes
El primer caso del famoso detective belga, Hercule Poirot. Poirot sale de su jubilación para investigar la muerte sospechosa de Emily Cavendish, una heredera matronal que, a pesar de los deseos de sus hijastros, se casó con un cazador de dotes. (In Hercule Poirot's first case the retired Belgian police detective investigates the death of Emily Cavendish, an elderly heiress, who, to the distress of her stepchildren, had recently married a fortune hunter.) 1920.

Retrato en Sepia (Portrait in Sepia)
RC 52976
por Isabel Allende
leído por María Pino
3 cassettes
Aurora del Valle, la nieta de Eliza Sommer, sigue la saga familiar que se reveló en *Hija de la Fortuna (RC 48792)*. Aurora, quien nació entre trauma y escándalo en el Chinatown de San Francisco, narra su educación y niñez con la abuela Paulina del Valle, su regreso a Chile y su matrimonio con Diego Domíngez. Contiene algunas descripciones explícitas de índole sexual. [Eliza Sommers's granddaughter, Aurora del Valle, continues the saga begun in *Hija de la Fortuna (RC 48792)*. Del Valle recounts the scandal surrounding her birth in San Francisco's Chinatown, her upbringing by her paternal grandmother, her return to Chile, and her marriage to Diego Domínguez. Some explicit descriptions of sex.] 2001.

Magazines on Cassette

For a free subscription to these magazines, contact your cooperating library.

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Analog Science Fiction and Fact (11 issues)
Asimov's Science Fiction (11 issues)
The Atlantic Monthly (11 issues; combined issue July–August)
Das Beste aus *Reader's Digest* (German; 12 issues)
Bon Appétit (monthly)
Buenhogar (Spanish; monthly)
Choice Magazine Listening (on loan from cooperating libraries, bimonthly)
Consumer Reports (monthly)
Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (bimonthly)
Cricket (for children, on one cassette with **National Geographic World**, monthly)
Diabetes Forecast (monthly)
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Ebony (monthly)
Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)
Foreign Affairs (6 issues)
Good Housekeeping (monthly plus special issues)
Health and Nutrition Newsletters (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, Healthline, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty, Mayo Clinic Health Letter,** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter,** monthly)
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The Nation (47 issues)
National Geographic (monthly)
National Geographic World (for children and teens, on one cassette with **Cricket,** monthly)
National Review (25 issues)
The *New York Times* Book Review (weekly)

Outdoor Life (10 issues; combined issues June–July, December–January)
People Weekly (weekly plus special issues)
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